



Philippine marines prepare for a mission on Jolo, a remote island in the Philippines, on Nov. 14. The nation is battling insurgents suspected of using al-Qaida-like tactics.

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Terror lessons spread

U.S. aids Philippines in battle against IEDs, al-Qaida-style warfare

By TRAVIS J. TRITTEN
Stars and Stripes

JOLO, Philippines — The attack was unusually deadly, and it came in a nightmarish form familiar to U.S. servicemembers fighting thousands of miles away in Iraq and Afghanistan — a homemade roadside bomb.

It was Sept. 29 on this remote Philippine island when an improvised explosive device laid by a terrorist group linked to al-Qaida sheared an American Humvee in half. The blast killed Staff Sgt. Jack M. Martin III and Sgt. 1st Class Christopher D. Shaw as well as a Philippine marine passenger.

The two U.S. Army Special Forces soldiers were helping the marine move food to a neighboring camp, part of an ongoing yet largely hidden effort to counter Islamic terrorism by winning the hearts and minds of impoverished Filipinos.

Seven years into the mission here, about 500 U.S. military advisers remain embedded deep in the jungles of the southern Philippines, assisting the nation's military as it takes the lead against a violent Islamic insurgency.

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TACTICS IN TRAINING Troops hone artillery skills to cut Afghan civilian deaths

By KRISTIN M. HALL
The Associated Press

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. — Deep in the woods on the state line separating Kentucky and Tennessee, soldiers who call in powerful weapons like mortars are learning how to get close enough beforehand to identify targets better, a crucial element of the military's new mandate to reduce Afghan civilian deaths.

The directive to curb civilian casualties, being pushed down the ranks from colonel to private, is what has three soldiers from the Army's 101st Airborne Division lying on their bellies atop a berm on a forested Fort Campbell artillery range. A pair of OH-58 Kiowa helicopters circle around to the right to scout the enemy's position, which in this training is an empty bunker surrounded by razor wire.

Mortars start whistling over the tree line and down toward an open field behind the bunker where a couple of old Army tanks painted bright yellow help artillery men precisely place the shots. The soldiers on the berm watch the rounds kick up clouds of dirt and rock, and a fraction of a second later, the sounds of the explosions echo back.

For several weeks, the 1st Brigade Combat Team has been focusing on advanced artillery training that incorporates hours of planning and carefully assessing targets and firepower as part of the new rules.

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QUOTE

OF THE DAY

"I'll put up with screaming kids and dirty diapers over IEDs any day."

— Spc. Burch Swigert, after emerging unscathed from an IED explosion in Afghanistan on Tuesday. Troops said the explosive was poorly constructed.

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Turkey trot

Sailors and Marines run along the flight deck of the USS Bataan during a 5K Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving. The Bataan Amphibious Ready Group is sailing the Atlantic on its way home from a seven-month deployment.

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Training: Civilians the new 'center of gravity' for troops

TRAINING, FROM PAGE 1

"All planning is based on where you can shoot and where you can't shoot," said Lt. Col. Randy Harris, deputy commander of the 1st Brigade Combat Team.

"Of course the enemy has a vote on that as well," he noted.

The Taliban and the insurgent fighters in Afghanistan "hug the population because they understand the side effects," said Lt. Col. Douglas Vincent of 1st Battalion, 32nd Cavalry Regiment, the brigade's reconnaissance group. "They know by doing that they put the civilian population at risk."

Many of Fort Campbell's units are staging large-scale exercises with the Air Force through the rest of this year to prepare better for airstrikes. Mortars and bombs are capable of razing large areas and inflicting serious injury, so soldiers learn to observe both the enemy and the battlefield carefully before pulling the trigger.

New platoon leader 1st Lt. Jonathan Fuller, 23, spends most of the morning inside a tent near the artillery range studying photos and maps of the terrain. He leads his



MARK HUMPHREY/AP

Soldiers fire mortars during training at Fort Campbell, Ky., in September. Training for Afghanistan focuses on protecting civilians.

platoon on a dry run of the battle, without using ammunition, then runs it with live fire and a third time after nightfall using night-vision goggles. Each time he and his commanders extensively review what went wrong and what went right.

"It's nice to run through here,

when you have the chance to say, 'Hey stop, let's go fix this; let's go back and do it again,'" said Vincent, one of Fuller's commanders. "This is the place to do it, not when you're in some foreign country."

The training teaches platoon leaders how to move soldiers

around a battlefield while using air support and heavy artillery.

The number of NATO troop deaths in Afghanistan has reached an all-time high this year, raising questions about whether the emphasis placed on restraint is risking the lives of soldiers. When the current commanding officer in Afghanistan, Gen. Stanley McChrystal, issued the directive this year, he acknowledged it "entails risk to our troops." But alienating the Afghan population is a far greater risk, he said.

Despite the restraint, civilian casualties also have been climbing, up to 202 in September from 169 in August. The civilian deaths could be attributed to stepped up Taliban attacks.

The 101st Airborne commanders who will go to Afghanistan say they have embraced the mission to limit casualties, even if it makes their jobs more dangerous.

"The center of gravity is the people and the population," Vincent said, "and anything that goes counter to that is obviously working against your mission."

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'It is their fight'

Lessons: U.S. aid, expertise not enough to eliminate violence

LESSONS, FROM PAGE 1

So far, U.S. expertise and money have helped the Philippine government win pockets of stability and support. But the assistance has not been sufficient to stamp out persistent violence, and the ultimate goal of peace and stability remains elusive.

A recent string of IED attacks indicates that insurgents in this outpost of the global war on terrorism are learning new bomb tactics, Philippine and U.S. officials told Stars and Stripes — tactics that were perfected and used with deadly effect against the U.S. in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Such violence shows that progress can be slow going, said Col. William Coultrup, commander of Joint Special Operations Task Force Philippines, which was deployed to the area in 2002.

But Coultrup said his command is not asking to break from its purely advisory role and take ownership of the combat here.

"It is their fight, and we don't want to own this fight," he said.

The al-Qaida-linked terror group Abu Sayyaf and other Islamic insurgents are blamed for



Coultrup

more than 100 bomb attacks in the southern Philippines this year that killed 37 civilians and 10 Philippine soldiers and wounded nearly 300 people, according to the Armed Forces of the Philippines.

Military officials say the IEDs range from crude, fertilizer-based bombs detonated with a switch made from wood to more advanced devices triggered by cell phones.

"We have seen the influence of some of these techniques that have come from abroad, and we believe they are being brought in by some of the foreign extremists who are trying to influence the situation in Mindanao," Coultrup said.

In Jolo, an Abu Sayyaf stronghold, the IEDs are targeting people, cell towers, water systems and drainage culverts, said Lt. Col. Robert Velasco, commander of Battalion Landing Team 6, one of six Philippine marine battalions deployed to the island.

The technology probably came from Afghanistan," he said.

Terror stalks Jolo's sweltering jungles and scattered villages in the form of IEDs, kidnappings and beheadings. The island's rugged terrain has been good to insurgent fighters, who have been melting into the thick foliage and pockets of open-air huts built atop stilts for nearly two decades.

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PHOTOS BY TRAVIS J. TRITTEN/Stars and Stripes

Top: Villagers file into a Philippine marine camp to welcome a new commander on the Abu Sayyaf stronghold of Sulu. Above: Philippine marines keep guard at the unveiling of a community improvement project on the volatile island of Sulu earlier this month.

Philippine military unable to keep terror groups at bay, leader says



Teodoro

BY TRAVIS J. TRITTEN
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MANILA, Philippines — Eliminating al-Qaida-linked terror groups is not likely to end problems in lawless Mindanao.

It might be only the beginning of the struggle.

"Having eliminated Abu Sayyaf, will the Philippine police or the Philippine armed forces be in a position

to maintain its deterrent presence in force for a long period of time, or will it have to pull out to go someplace else ... while allowing the Abu Sayyaf to regenerate?" asked former Philippine Defense Secretary Gilberto Teodoro, during an interview with Stars and Stripes.

The Philippine military is now overstretched and ill-equipped to maintain such a presence, said Te-

odoro, a Harvard University-educated lawyer who resigned earlier this month to run in the country's May presidential election.

Without being beefed up, the military would likely be unable to hold onto its victory, and the Mindanao region would slip back into the hands of the insurgency, he said.

"I think that is the story of the repetitive insurgencies in the Philippines," Teodoro said. "We have low

defense spending, and we try compromise mechanisms such as peace talks without the guarantee of the armed forces or the police to stay in force in order to solve the internal conflicts."

Meanwhile, a wider and deeply rooted Muslim separatist movement is likely to live on in the region after al-Qaida is pushed out.

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Lessons: U.S.-led community projects key to aid effort

LESSONS, FROM PAGE 4

Jolo has been rocked by six IED bombings since Martin and Shaw were killed there, Velasco said.

Earlier this month a school principal was kidnapped by Abu Sayyaf, and his severed head was left in a bag at a local gas station, authorities said.

In another example of general lawlessness in the region, 57 election workers and journalists were killed this month in violence between rival clans in an area of Mindanao far north of troubled Jolo. Some of the victims were reportedly raped, tortured and beheaded, and the slaughter triggered the government on Monday to call a state of emergency.

Authorities have blamed the killings on an election dispute, and a local politician was jailed in Manila for the crimes. It remains unclear whether Islamic insurgents were involved, but the jailed politician has publicly blamed the killings on the region's Muslim separatists, known as Moros.

The most violent and intractable areas are the main focus of the U.S. military, according to Coultrup.

Philippine marines deployed to Jolo get combat training and assistance from elite U.S. Army Special Forces soldiers, Navy SEALs and Air Force commandos. U.S. aircraft including high-tech unmanned aerial vehicles ply the air over Jolo and pass along intelligence for Philippine military missions.

The years of combined effort — and often bloody military campaigns by Philippine forces — have shrunk the enemy, Velasco said.

He said much of the Abu Sayyaf leadership has been killed and only about 30 to 40 core members remain. At its height in the late 1990s, the group was thought to have about 2,000 members.

But the terror group can still swell by several hundred sympathizers during times of peak conflict, Velasco said.

Philippine forces and their U.S. advisers are placing much of their hope for victory on development aid, which they believe can turn sympathizers and local communities away from insurgent groups.

In 2008, the United States provided a total of \$132 million in funding to promote stability in the Philippines — including military aid and civilian-based aid



PHOTOS BY TRAVIS J. TRITTEN/Stars and Stripes

Maj. Gen. Juancho Sabban, right, unveils a newly built coffee plant nursery earlier this month. The nursery was among community projects completed by Philippine and U.S. forces working to quell terrorism and separatist violence in the southern Philippines.

work — with 60 percent going to Mindanao, according to the State Department.

Philippine marines deployed to camps across Jolo spend up to 80 percent of their time on public service projects on the impoverished island of about 620,000 people, work that is coordinated by U.S. advisers.

As a result, construction projects have sprouted across Jolo. Villages now have rows of brightly painted new homes, shiny water tanks and reconstructed school buildings.

U.S. forces partner up to give medical, dental and veterinary care, which are nonexistent in the remote stretches of the southern Philippines.

Results of such U.S.-coordinated aid efforts have been en-

couraging elsewhere. Hundreds of fighters farther north in Mindanao have laid down their weapons over the past six months in exchange for farmland, according to Coultrup.

Jolo might prove the ultimate test of that counter-insurgency strategy in



Velasco

the region.

"We are negating the next generation of terrorists," said Maj. Gen. Juancho Sabban, commandant of the Philippine marine corps, who recently visited a marine battalion landing team

responsible for 23 development projects.

Sabban made the trip across the island in a convoy of fast-moving SUVs and heavily armed Humvees headed by an armored personnel carrier.

The roads, once infamous for snipers and ambushes, are now paved. Attacks are rarer than five or 10 years ago, Sabban said.

Sometimes local children smile and wave at passing military units, which is considered a breakthrough in Jolo.

"Where there were no schools, now there are schools catering to the children in this area," he said. "Right now, if you look at the response of the people, they are accepting of the Philippine and U.S. forces."

Still, the island and large

swaths of the region remain lawless, said Sen. Aquilino Pimentel, the minority leader in the Philippine Senate, who was originally appointed by President Corazon Aquino in the 1980s to help with the peace process in Mindanao.

U.S.-led community projects and aid have helped the government gain traction after a four-decade struggle with the Moros, Pimentel said, but those gains have stagnated in recent years.

For example, he noted that the Philippine government has been so far been unable to establish local police and justice systems on Jolo.

"In [Jolo], not a single one of the 18 municipalities has a court," Pimentel said.

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Terror: Many Muslims won't accept Philippine government authority

TERROR, FROM PAGE 4

Accepting Philippine government rule is an "impossible proposition" for hundreds of thousands of Muslims in the region who feel oppressed and economically exploited by a Christian majority in Manila, said Nur Misuari, the founding chairman of the Moro National Liberation Front, one of the oldest armed factions aimed at creating a separate nation for Muslims in Mindanao.

"Sulu (Jolo island) used to be the most powerful kingdom in the region, and it is now the poorest area of the country," he said. "This is how they want us to be. We have no choice but to look for a way out of our circumstances."

The struggle will end only when Muslims in Mindanao are granted a separate state, and until then, they will oppose the encroachment of the Philippine military and U.S. forces, Misuari said.

"If they come here for military reasons, we don't welcome them," he said. "It is best for [the Americans] not to associate with the armed forces because the armed forces are our enemy."

The possibility of a separate Muslim state remains remote after decades of fighting and negotiating.

"It is as elusive and intractable as ever," Misuari said. "But we Muslims never lose hope."

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Village residents gather at a Philippine marine camp on Sulu to meet a new commander earlier this month. The area is a key stronghold for the al-Qaida-linked terror group Abu Sayyaf.

IN THE WORLD

Russia: Bomb sent train off rails, killing 26

The Associated Press

UGLOVKA, Russia — Russian officials opened a terrorism investigation Saturday, saying that a homemade bomb planted on the tracks of the high-speed Moscow-to-St. Petersburg route caused a derailment that killed at least 26 people and injured dozens more.

The head of Russia's Federal Security Service, Alexander Borotnikov, was quoted by the Interfax and RIA Novosti news as saying that an improvised explosive device equivalent to 15 pounds of TNT had detonated when the train passed over it Friday night about 9:30 p.m. Remains of the device were found at the site of the crash, Borotnikov said.

"Indeed, this was a terrorist attack," Interfax cited Vladimir Markin, a spokesman for federal prosecutors, as saying. He told the ITAR-Tass news agency that

the bomb crater on the track was 5 feet deep.

The derailment of the upscale train, which was popular with government officials and business executives, would be Russia's deadliest terrorist strike outside the volatile North Caucasus region in years. Witness accounts appeared to back up reports of a bomb blast.

The last three carriages of the 14-car Nevsky Express careered off the tracks Friday night as the train approached speeds of 130 mph, officials said. More than 600 passengers were on the train when it derailed near the border of the Novgorod and Tver provinces. The rural area is 250 miles northwest of Moscow and 150 miles southeast of St. Petersburg.

There was no word from officials on Saturday on any suspects or their motives, and no group claimed responsibility.



IVAN SEKRETAREV/AP

Investigators and rescue workers examine the site of a train derailment near Uglovka, Russia, on Saturday.

Once-rich Dubai seeking aid

The Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — As world markets absorbed the shock of Dubai's debt crisis, the ruler of the once-booming city-state left town for an important meeting with the leaders of neighboring Abu Dhabi, whose balance sheets are flush with oil revenue.

Whatever assistance Abu Dhabi may provide will likely set the tone for the coming week as analysts try to sort out which banks and institutions have the most at stake in the money crunch — which has suddenly shifted Dubai's image from a desert dream factory of indoor ski slopes and a seven-star hotel to a reckless spender unable to pay its bills.

Just this month, Dubai's ruler, Sheik Mohammed bin Rashid Al-Maktoum, assured international investors that all was well with Dubai's finances and told media critics to "shut up."

Dubai's empty pockets — mostly drained by collapsing real estate prices and over-ambitious development plans — touched off panic selling across world markets on fears that the reckoning from the global recession is not over.

Dubai said Wednesday that it is seeking a six-month delay in paying creditors on nearly \$60 billion in debt held by its main development arm, Dubai World, whose holdings range from port operations around the world to luxury retailer Barneys New York.



AP

A cargo plane crashed shortly after taking off Saturday from Shanghai's main international airport, killing three American crewmembers, a government official said.

China plane crash kills 3 Americans

By EUGENE HOSHIKO
The Associated Press

SHANGHAI — A Zimbabwe-registered cargo plane crashed in flames during takeoff from Shanghai's main airport Saturday, killing three American crew members and injuring four others on board.

The accident closed two runways at the Pudong airport in China's largest city for several hours. More than 30 international flights were delayed, leaving about 4,000

travelers stranded on planes or in airport lounges, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

The MD-11 cargo plane, operated by Zimbabwe-based Avient Aviation, was heading to Bishkek, the capital of Kyrgyzstan, Xinhua said.

Avient's chief operating officer, Simon Clarke, refused to say what cargo it was carrying.

The aircraft's tail struck the ground on takeoff, China Central Television reported, and Xin-

hua said the plane veered off the runway and burst into flames. Footage showed black smoke billowing from the wreckage.

Three Americans on the seven-member crew died and a fourth was injured, U.S. Embassy spokesman Richard Buangan said.

Shanghai television showed what it called a 61-year-old American co-pilot in a hospital bed, conscious and thanking staff and officials.

Clarke said the crash was Avient's first.

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Lawmaker warns Iran could leave nuclear treaty

By ALI AKBAR DAREINI
The Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — A hard-line Iranian lawmaker warned Saturday his country could withdraw from the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty in response to a U.N. nuclear watchdog resolution censuring Tehran over its nuclear program.

The threat comes a day after the board of the U.N. nuclear agency passed a resolution demanding Tehran immediately stop building its newly revealed nuclear facility near the holy city of Qom and freeze uranium enrichment.

"The parliament, in its first reaction to this illegal and politically-motivated resolution, can consider the issue of withdrawing from the NPT," Mohammad Karamirad was quoted as saying by the official IRNA news agency, referring to the treaty.

"The parliament ... [also] can block the entry of IAEA inspec-

tors to the country."

Karamirad, a senior lawmaker and member of the Iranian parliament's national security committee, does not speak for the government but his statements often reflect the government's thinking.

His threat could be a tactic to warn the West of possible consequences if it pursues further action against Iran, such as strengthened sanctions.

Iran's parliament has issued similar warnings in the past, most recently in 2006 when some lawmakers threatened to pull the country out of the nonproliferation treaty during another time of increased U.N. pressure over Tehran's nuclear program. Iran backed down, and the government has said that it has no intention of withdrawing from the treaty, which aims to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and weapons technology.

Thousands gather as annual hajj continues



HASSAN AMMAR/AP

Thousands of Muslim pilgrims gather on Saturday at Grand Mosque during the hajj in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. The stoning of the devil ritual, performed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, is when the crowds of pilgrims at the five-day hajj are at their height.

Pakistani president yields nuclear authority

The Associated Press

ISLAMABAD — Pakistan's embattled president has relinquished command of the country's nuclear arsenal amid political wrangling that has posed a major distraction to the U.S.-allied government as it fights Taliban and other militants near the Afghan border.

The move came as President Asif Ali Zardari faced the expiration on Saturday of an amnesty protecting him and thousands of other bureaucrats and politicians from corruption charges.

Zardari enjoys general immunity from prosecution as president, but the Supreme Court could choose to challenge his eligibility for the post since the amnesty decree by ex-military leader Pervez Musharraf was never formally approved by parliament.

Zardari has come under tremendous pressure over past corruption allegations, which he denies, as well as military objections to his overtures toward archrival India and acceptance of a multibillion dollar U.S. aid bill that came with conditions some fear impose unwanted controls over the military.

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American ecoterrorism suspect jailed in China

BEIJING — An American man wanted in the United States on terrorism charges has been sentenced in China for making illegal drugs, a court official said Saturday.

Justin Franchi Solondz was given three years in prison Friday, said an official at the intermediate court in Dali city, Yunnan province.

It was unclear what drugs Solondz was producing.

The FBI office in Seattle lists Solondz among its most wanted. Its Web site says Solondz is accused of having a role in the destruction of a horticulture center at the University of Washington as well as the destruction of several buildings in Oregon.

At least 30 killed when Bangladeshi ferry sinks

DHAKA, Bangladesh — A ferry packed with people going home for an Islamic festival capsized as they disembarked in southern Bangladesh, leaving at least 30 dead and scores missing, authorities said Saturday.

Police and fire brigade divers pulled 30 bodies from the sunken part of the ferry, local police officials Saiful Islam and Showkat Hossain said.

It was unclear how many people were on board when the boat capsized.

Japan launches 5th spy satellite

TOKYO — Japan launched its fifth spy satellite into orbit Saturday, the government said.

The domestically developed H-2A rocket carrying the \$565 million satellite lifted off from a space center on the southern island of Tanegashima, said Hisashi Michigami, an official at the Cabinet Office.

At least 90 dead after boat sinks in Congo

KINSHASA, Congo — U.N. radio says at least 90 people are confirmed dead after a logging boat sank on a lake in Congo.

A survivor, Ewiya Mukana, told Radio Okapi on Saturday that dozens of corpses were spread on the sand along the shores of Lake Maindombe, 250 miles northeast of the capital, Kinshasa.

Radio Okapi quoted a local authority as saying it did not receive a manifest because the timber-carrying vessel was not allowed to carry passengers.

The Congolese Red Cross told the station that more than 250 survivors had been rescued following the sinking Wednesday night.

From The Associated Press



DUAL TREATMENT

U.S.-funded clinics battle stereotypes, HIV in Vietnam

By BEN STOCKING
The Associated Press

TINH BIEN, Vietnam — When her husband fell ill with AIDS, doctors at the hospital turned him away, fearing they would catch the virus.

"They told him, 'There's nothing we can do for you. Just go home and wait to die,'" said Do Thi Phuong. So when she too got AIDS, she didn't seek help, fearing that she would also be shunned. Instead, like her husband, she went home to die.

Then she heard about a little AIDS clinic in the Mekong Delta, in a place where the Americans used to train South Vietnamese soldiers during the Vietnam War.

Now, on a regimen of AIDS drugs provided by the U.S., she is getting her strength back.

The clinic at Tinh Bien is one of 55 across Vietnam funded by the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, known as PEPFAR, the initiative that President George W. Bush made a centerpiece of his administration.

The U.S. has spent more than \$300 million fighting AIDS in Vietnam and is now providing AIDS drugs to more than two-thirds of the 32,000 Vietnamese receiving treatment. At \$85 million this year alone, PEPFAR accounts for 80 percent of U.S. humanitarian spending in the country.

The funding pays for treatment, support for patients' families, prevention programs and dispelling the AIDS stigma, which is entrenched in Vietnam.

Just how entrenched was demonstrated recently when a group of HIV-positive schoolchildren living at a PEPFAR-supported



PHOTOS BY DAVID GUTTENFELDER/AP

From top: Children who are HIV orphans, infected with HIV or live with their HIV-infected mothers at the Mai Hoa Center in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, rest on the floor of the center. Do Thi Phuong, an HIV-infected woman, is examined at a U.S.-funded clinic for HIV and AIDS in Tinh Bien, Vietnam.

compound near Ho Chi Minh City were enrolled at a neighborhood school. They were expelled the next day because parents of other students objected.

"The other kids refused to play with me," said Huyen, 13, who wouldn't give her last name. "They pointed at me and said, 'She has AIDS.'"

Phuong feared the stigma too. She said that for a long time she didn't dare tell anyone she had HIV.

"In the countryside, the only thing people know about AIDS is that it's the 'Disease of the Century.' They're afraid they'll get infected, so they shun you," she said.

Finally, outreach workers learned from a friend of hers that she was ill and invited her to the

\$300M

Amount of U.S. aid to Vietnam that has gone toward fighting HIV/AIDS there.

Tinh Bien clinic.

"The doctors and staff here treat me like I'm just another patient," said Phuong, 30.

At the Mai Hoa Center, home to the children who were turned away from school, a memorial display at the center holds rows of urns with remains of former residents.

Until the U.S. began providing AIDS drugs, "We used to have one or two funerals a day. Now we only have one a month," said Tran Van Nhan, a center volunteer.

Doctor rebuffs skeptics of coma recovery

By RAF CASERT
The Associated Press

BRUSSELS — Rom Houben's mother remembers her son's amazement when he finally started communicating again after spending 23 years locked in a paralyzed body that was misdiagnosed as vegetative.

"Early on, he was surprised that the words came out of his finger," Fina Nicolaes said. "Now, he is busy writing a book."

But his communication, with the help of a speech therapist holding his hand punching a touch screen, is stirring controversy only days after the story of his comeback as a conscious man entombed in an immobile body broke.

It has scholars questioning the technique of facilitated communication, bloggers denouncing it as a cruel farce, and millions asking as they watch video of Houben's hand being held as it quickly types into the screen — who is really doing the punching here?

Dr. Steven Laureys said he might ask the same questions if he did not know the patient. And he said there is only one way to address the doubters: science.

"For me, there are two questions: Is he conscious? Can he communicate? That is 'yes' twice," he said.

Doctors point out that it has been three years since Houben was discovered to be conscious, and he has had much time to improve his communication skills. In the early stages they were basic, and through practice he has been able to communicate as fluidly as he does now, they say.

When news of Houben's recovery and the video hit the world this week, some people immediately began raising doubts.

Bioethics professor Arthur Caplan of the University of Pennsylvania was among the first — calling the practice of facilitated communication "Ouija board stuff."

Nicolaes said she is convinced her son speaks to her and appreciates the jokes and "black humor" that lace his sentences.

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Kathryn Morris says she still enjoys playing the role of Lilly on the TV crime drama "Cold Case" — even after seven years.

Morris' evolving character keeps 'Cold Case' fresh

BY DENISE MARTIN
Los Angeles Times

Before signing on to star as the lead detective in the CBS missing-persons drama "Cold Case," Kathryn Morris was courted by Steven Spielberg and Rod Lurie. She played every male's fantasy in HBO's "The Mind of the Married Man" and in John Woo's "Paycheck." Now, seven years into playing "Cold Case's" Lilly Rush, Morris says she's more content than ever.

Spielberg sought you out after seeing your performance in Lurie's political thriller "The Contender." He later cast you in "Minority Report" and "AI." How did being pursued by Spielberg like that feel?

Kathryn Morris: You think it's a joke when your agent calls you, and then all of a sudden you're in front of him. It's like getting sprinkled with fairy dust. After 10 years in the business, there you are sitting in front of him, and he's got your picture and resume on his desk. I remember he said that he thought I was a very versatile actress, and that's why we were having this meeting. He asked me about how I had come up with my character in "The Contender," and about my past experience and acting. It felt like he was bringing me into his club.

Lurie, who first cast you in "The Contender," called you his muse. That's adoration.

He's another decent person. He actually saw me on an audition; it's as boring as that. But we talk a lot. He has his own little acting company, if you will, and I think he just feels like I'm one of his go-to actors. When he writes a new script, often he will send it

to me. I feel honored, because for Rod to ask for my feedback means a lot.

You have been playing Lilly on "Cold Case" for several years now. How do you keep a procedural series fresh? What do you still enjoy about playing her?

Lilly has evolved from being this little beat cop to this hungry cold case detective to a person who has expanded her sole capacity. Not just with the suspects or the victims. She has really evolved into a person that is as real to me as a relative of mine. It's a pretty cool thing to have for this many years.

Have you ever felt a little restless or maybe wanted to try something new?

I'm in talks for a couple of great independent films concurrent with "Cold Case," but the show is having its best season ever if you ask me. To me, when actors get restless on series, I find them to be a little on the lazy side. I'm still looking to be a better actor, and I'm grateful every day.

Before "Cold Case," you had a juicy role in HBO's "Mind of the Married Man." Could you see doing comedy again?

Ha, that show really [ticked] some women off, didn't it?

Well, yes.

It became a little controversial, and I loved being

part of the controversy. Playing the press secretary to the mayor, being this fantasy of a smart bossy woman who can roll in lingerie and have sex while talking politics in bed ... I loved it. It was just so much fun, but again, I'm really happy on "Cold Case" now. It's like doing a mini movie every week on our show.

It sounds like you maybe miss the sexy part of that role.

I'm actually a real girly girl, even though Lilly is in suits 24/7. I'm a girl that wants to climb in a van with 10 other girls and camp out in chenille to go see "Sex and the City." My girlfriends and I did dress up for it.

That's a whole other side of myself. I even have a new fashion venture that's in the early stages of design. The other day we had this chill in the air and I walked over to the camera crew and, "Boys, there's good news: It's chilly enough for cute boot weather!"

In "Cold Case," you jump around in time, solving missing persons cases from all sorts of periods. Do you have a favorite time period the show has gotten to explore?

I actually prefer cases that are a little bit more recent. But I do like the '80s because of the music. In our two-part season finale it was exclusively Pearl Jam. That was just the coolest.

"['Cold Case'] is having its best season ever if you ask me. To me, when actors get restless on series, I find them to be a little on the lazy side. I'm still looking to be a better actor, and I'm grateful every day."

DNA matching

Swab kits now used to test for genetic compatibility

By MEGAN K. SCOTT
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Looking for love? Try leaning in for a ... cheek swab.

A couple of genetic testing companies are promising to match couples based on the DNA testing, touting the benefits of biological compatibility.

The companies claim that a better biological match will mean better sex, less cheating, longer-lasting love and perhaps even healthier children.

"How many dating services can you think of where they can suggest you might have better children?" said Eric Holzle, founder of ScientificMatch.com, one of the first online dating sites to use DNA.

Holzle wouldn't reveal membership numbers, but GenePartner, a Swiss company that works with matchmakers and dating sites, has tested more than 1,000 people, according to chief scientific officer Tamara Brown.

The GenePartner Test is \$99 and will be offered at the dating site sense2love.com when it relaunches next month. The idea is that people tend to be attracted to those who have immune system genes that are dissimilar from

their own.

Biologists say the HLA genes of the immune system — which are responsible for recognizing and marking foreign cells such as viruses so other parts of the immune system can attack them — also determine body odor "fingerprints." And people tend to be attracted to the natural body odors of those who have different HLA genes from their own.

In one study, Swiss biologist Claus Wedekind found that women who were not taking hormonal contraception preferred the natural scent of men whose immune systems were the most different from theirs.

Dr. Rocio Moran, medical director of the General Genetics Clinic at the Cleveland Clinic, called the idea "ridiculous," and said the science of attraction is too complex to look at only a few genes. "They are just trying to make a buck," she said. "That if it's genetic, it must be real science."

"Our aim is to do the best possible match in the shortest amount of time."

Anju Rupal
Founder of sense2love.com

When a sample of married people was studied, their immune systems were not that different, said Patrick Markey, associate professor of psychology at

Villanova. And he notes that hundreds of studies have shown the importance of personality and physical appearance in choosing a mate.

For some, factors such as whether the person smokes, is fat or wants children will override biological compatibility, said Helen Fisher, a biological anthropologist and author of "Why Him? Why Her?" She believes genes play a role but said it's only one part of the puzzle.

Rachel Herz, author of "The Scent of Desire," who teaches olfaction and human behavior at Brown, believes the science is legit but thinks prospective matches should swap T-shirts and sniff. "Above all physical factors — for example, how he looks — and social factors, how guys smell is more important than anything else," she said.

Singles who sign up for ScientificMatch.com get a package in the mail containing a skin cells-swab kit. The person mails the kit to the lab, with results in approximately two weeks, then uploads a profile and photos and takes a personal values test. Matches are generated based on the DNA, values and preferences.

Anju Rupal, founder of match-making site sense2love.com is partnering with GenePartner. Members are not required to take the test to sign up, but are encouraged to do so to whittle down the number of potential matches. "A woman wants to date, settle down and have children. Guys don't want to waste time," she said. "Our aim is to do the best possible match in the shortest amount of time."

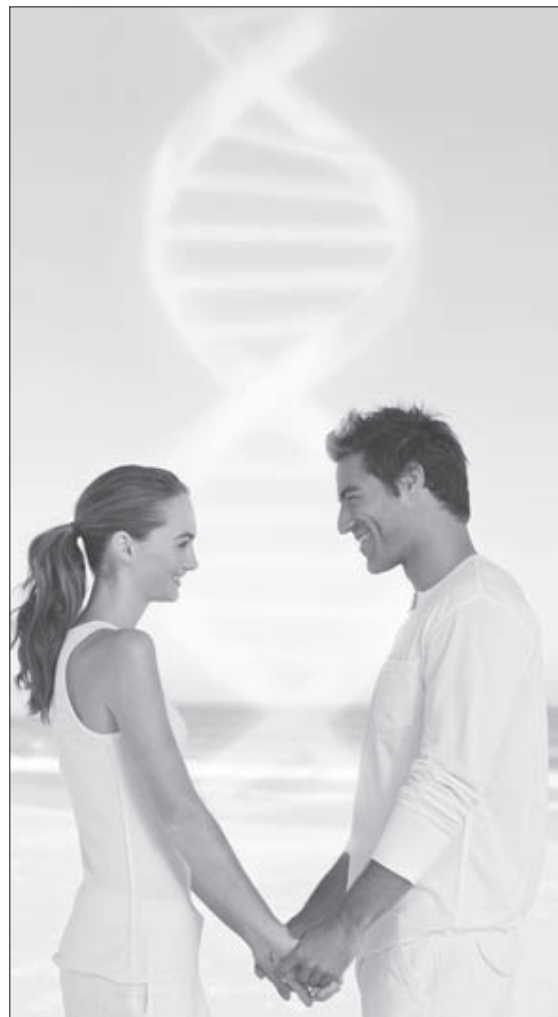


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GenePartner, a Swiss company that works with matchmakers and dating sites, has tested more than 1,000 people.

Decoded human genome a roadmap to tailored treatments

By ROBERT S. BOYD
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Six years after scientists finished decoding the human genome — the genetic instruction book for life — they're taking their knowledge from the research laboratory to the doctor's office and the patient's bedside.

Researchers are seeking ways to tailor treatments to individuals — they call it "personalized medicine" — in order to improve patient outcomes and to lower costs in the U.S. health care system. The

goal is to deliver the right drug at the right time in the right dose to the right person, and eliminate treatments that don't work.

"We want to optimize the way we practice medicine, diagnosis and risk prediction," said Francis Collins, who ran the federal government's Human Genome Project from 1993 to 2008.

For example, instead of a standard therapy to treat breast cancer, personalized medicine allows doctors to employ a treatment precisely designed to fit one woman's specific needs. If a gene test

shows that her tumor overproduces a substance called HER-2, she's considered to be a good candidate for the drug Herceptin, which cuts her chance of a recurrence nearly in half. If the test is negative, using the drug could be wasteful.

Advocates say that personalized medicine also can reduce unnecessary suffering and expense by minimizing the chance of adverse drug reactions. According to the Food and Drug Administration, there were 319,741 serious illnesses and 49,958 deaths due to

unexpected reactions to drugs last year in the United States alone. A British study estimated the cost of such reactions at \$847 million per year in the United Kingdom.

Advances in genomic medicine are accelerating, thanks to new, high-speed sequencing machines. Unlike the methods used to decode the first sample genome, second-generation robotic machines can analyze hundreds of thousands of units of DNA in minutes.

Collins said the improvement in speed of sequencing had been "breathhtaking," and, conse-

quently, costs have come down proportionately.

In 2003, it cost an estimated \$300 million to decode the first genome of an individual human. By 2007, the cost per person had come down to \$100 million, and by 2008, it was \$60,000. The current cost is about \$20,000, according to Clifford Reid, the chief executive of Complete Genomics Inc.

Collins said the goal within five years is to sequence a complete human genome for \$1,000, making it a staple of medical practice.



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YOUR MONEY

Revived auto leasing market is challenging

By DAVE CARPENTER
The Associated Press

Auto leasing, temporarily crippled by the credit and financial crisis, is making a comeback this fall.

Chrysler, Ford and General Motors all curtailed leasing operations last year when credit markets locked up and soaring gasoline prices left them facing losses on the used SUVs and other gas-guzzlers that their financing arms sell when leases expire.

Business isn't nearly back to where it was before the crunch hit, when leases comprised about 20 percent of all car transactions. But it is trending upward after hitting a high for the year of 12.8 percent in October, up from a bottom of 7.2 percent in August, according to automotive information site Edmunds.com.

The turnaround reflects both the slowly strengthening economy and a change in strategy by U.S. carmakers, whose sales suffered from the absence or limited availability of leasing.

"The Big Three have quietly restarted their leasing programs, even expanding them to include smaller or mid-size vehicles to encourage people back into cars," says Mark Guarino, an auto analyst for Chicago-based market research company Mintel International.

All three have now revived their leasing programs through those finance units and are able to lease cars at more affordable prices in an improved credit market and still make money. In-



Finding an attractive leasing deal is difficult, and you'll need good credit to get one at all. The discounts and other incentives long used to make leases more appealing aren't nearly as plentiful.

ternational automakers such as Honda and Toyota, meanwhile, have remained in the leasing market throughout.

Consumers still face a more challenging lease market, however.

Does leasing make any more, or less, sense financially than it did before the crisis?

Finding an attractive deal is tougher now, and you'll need good credit to get one at all. Beyond that, the discounts and other incentives long used to make leases

more appealing aren't nearly as plentiful.

Otherwise, the pros and cons remain about the same as before.

Leasing can give you lower monthly payments than if you purchased the same car. Or for a similar monthly payment, you can drive a much better vehicle. Problems with the car you leased? The manufacturer's three-year new car warranty should protect you. For that reason, it's advisable to have a lease term of no more than three years.

Watch closely for better price offers as the comeback continues and carmakers try to recoup business now that the sales surge from the Cash for Clunkers rebate program is over.

"You're going to see the manufacturers be more aggressive as the year closes," says chief executive Sergio Stiberan of Lease-Trader.com, an online service for swapping car leases. "So be open for things."

A list of incentives and rebates by region is available at Edmunds.com. If you have decided you want a lease, review what's available, look at the terms to make sure it's active in your area and verify with the dealership's financial arm that you qualify.

Also, check your credit report in advance. There may be problems that could cost you a good lease and can be fixed easily. For example, perhaps you moved and a bill went to your old address that you weren't able to pay on time.

If I lease a car, how does insurance coverage work?

A: You are required to obtain insurance on your own, with specified minimum limits. Most leasing companies require at least 100/300 for covering bodily injury — \$100,000 per person, \$300,000 total coverage.

It will likely be more expensive than insuring a car you own. Since you'll always be driving a new or nearly new vehicle when you lease, you won't have the option of reducing your rate as it ages.

You may also have to get gap insurance, which covers the difference between what your auto insurer pays if your car is stolen or totaled, and the full amount you owe the finance company.

Check to see if the contract you're signing includes gap insurance. If there's an option to buy it, you should.

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates

Japanese yen (Nov. 30).....	85.00
South Korean won (Nov. 30).....	1,137.00
Euro costs (Nov. 30).....	\$1.5293
Dollar buys (Nov. 30).....	£0.6539
British pound (Nov. 30).....	\$1.68

Commercial rates

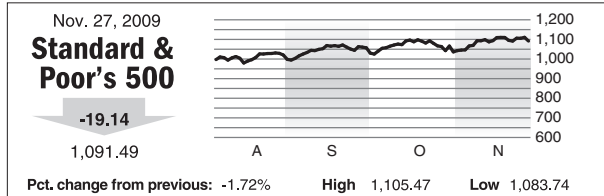
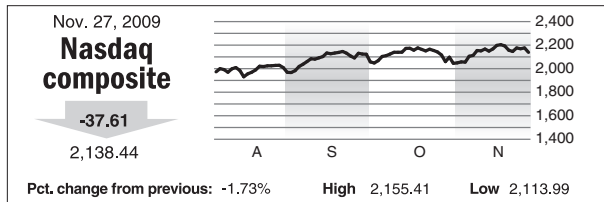
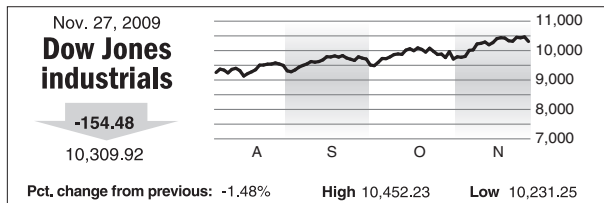
Bahrain (Dinar).....	0.3770
British pound.....	\$1.6479
Canada (Dollar).....	1.0623
China (Yuan).....	6.8294
Denmark (Krone).....	4.9776
Egypt (Pound).....	5.4545
Euro.....	\$1.4954/0.6687
Hong Kong (Dollar).....	7.7503
Hungary (Forint).....	182.45
Israel (Shekel).....	3.7930
Japan (Yen).....	86.70
Kuwait (Dinar).....	0.2850
Norway (Krone).....	5.6850
Philippines (Peso).....	47.15
Poland (Zloty).....	2.78
Saudi Arabia (Riyal).....	3.7503
Singapore (Dollar).....	1.3874
South Korea (Won).....	1,173.70
Switzerland (Franc).....	1.0065
Thailand (Baht).....	33.23
Turkey (New Lira).....	1.5235
(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check with your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one dollar, except for the British pound, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)	

INTEREST RATES

Prime rate.....	3.25
Discount rate.....	0.50
Federal funds market rate.....	0.00-0.25
3-month bill.....	0.04
30-year bond.....	4.21

Sources: Bank of America, The Associated Press

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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AP

Government delays new ban on Internet gambling

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Treasury Department and the Federal Reserve are giving U.S. financial institutions an additional six months to comply with regulations designed to ban Internet gambling.

The two agencies said Friday that the new rules, which were to take effect on Tuesday, will be delayed until June 1.

A key Democratic opponent of the ban on online gambling praised the action and said it would give Congress time to overturn a law passed in 2006 when Republicans controlled Congress.

The delayed rules would curb online gambling by prohibiting financial institutions from ac-

cepting payments from credit cards, checks or electronic fund transfers to settle online wagers.

House Financial Services Committee Chairman Barney Frank, D-Mass., praised Friday's announcement. He is sponsoring legislation that would roll back a 2006 law that bans financial institutions from handling transactions made to and from Internet gambling sites.

"This will give us a chance to act in an unhurried manner on my legislation to undo this regulatory excess by the Bush administration and to undo this ill-advised law," Frank said.

U.S. bettors have been estimated to supply at least half the revenue of the \$16 billion Internet gambling industry, which is largely hosted overseas.

White House welcomes official Christmas tree

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A day after celebrating Thanksgiving, first lady Michelle Obama and daughters Malia and Sasha received the official White House Christmas tree: an 18-foot Douglas fir delivered from a farm in Shepherdstown, W.Va., by traditional horse-drawn carriage.

Growers Eric and Gloria Sundback officially presented the tree to the Obamas on Friday.

"It's big enough for Sasha to climb in, I think," Eric Sundback joked. The tree was pulled up the driveway from Pennsylvania Avenue by a

pair of Belgian draft horses with red Christmas bows tied to their tails. A sign affixed to the side of the carriage said "White House Christmas Tree 2009."

The 12-foot-wide tree is destined for the oval-shaped Blue Room on the State Floor of the White House, where scores of volunteers will decorate it. The tree, which the Sundbacks planted in 1996, was hand-picked on Oct. 20 on a visit to the Sundbacks' farm by retired Rear Adm. Stephen Rochon, the White House chief usher, and Dale Haney, superintendent of the White House grounds.



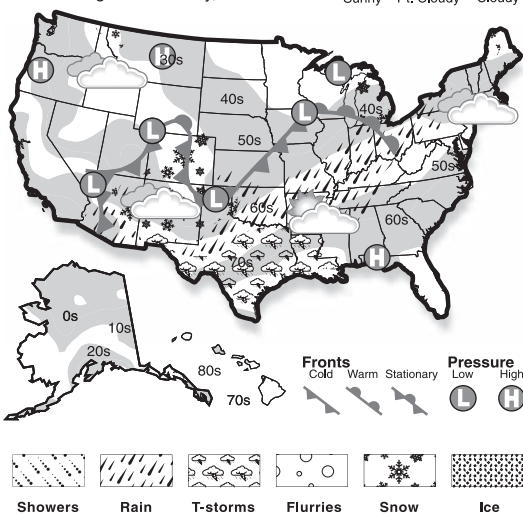
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First lady Michelle Obama and daughters Sasha, center, and Malia welcome the official White House Christmas tree as it was delivered on Friday.

WEATHER OUTLOOK

National forecast

Forecast highs for Sunday, Nov. 29



Front develops late in the day

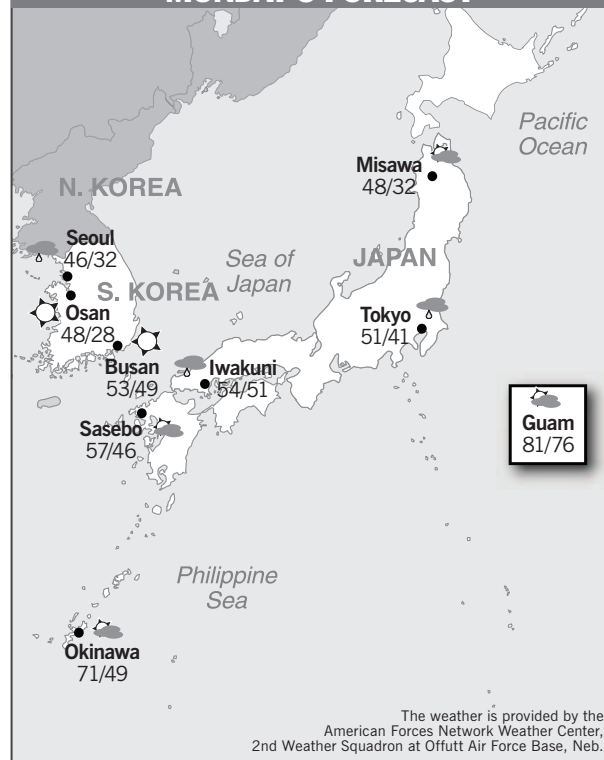
A developing front will provide increasing afternoon rain from the Southern Plains through the Ohio Valley. A low pressure system will continue to provide precipitation in the Southwest. Chilly temperatures are expected in the Northern Plains.

Weather Underground • AP

Saturday's global temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	La Paz	63	43	rn
Amsterdam	49	41	rn	Lima	70	64	cdy
Athens	66	41	clr	Lisbon	62	53	rn
Auckland	64	57	pc	London	47	41	rn
Baghdad	55	55	cdy	Madrid	55	42	rn
Basra	58	52	rn	Managua	91	73	clr
Bahrain	80	72	pc	Manila	88	77	pc
Bangkok	90	71	clr	Mecca	83	72	rn
Barbados	87	75	pc	Melbourne	80	63	rn
Barcelona	61	51	rn	Mexico City	68	42	pc
Beijing	44	24	clr	Montevideo	69	56	rn
Beirut	71	58	clr	Montreal	44	41	rn
Belgrade	61	38	clr	Moscow	44	37	rn
Berlin	51	42	rn	Nairobi	80	60	rn
Bermuda	78	69	rn	Nassau	77	69	rn
Bogota	69	42	pc	New Delhi	77	51	clr
Brasilia	81	68	rn	Nice	63	48	pc
Brisbane	84	69	clr	Osaka	68	44	clr
Brussels	46	42	rn	Oslo	41	37	rn
Bucharest	60	30	cdy	Panama	90	75	rn
Budapest	51	42	rn	Paris	51	46	rn
Buenos Aires	70	64	rn	Perth	73	44	clr
Cairo	72	59	rn	Prague	51	37	clr
Calgary	34	19	sn	Rio de Janeiro	89	78	pc
Caracas	87	77	clr	Rome	60	50	pc
Colombo	87	69	clr	San Jose	78	67	rn
Copenhagen	46	42	rn	San Juan	86	74	clr
Dhahran	86	69	clr	San Salvador	86	66	clr
Dhaka	82	62	clr	Santiago	83	48	clr
Dili	91	75	rn	Sao Paulo	83	69	rn
Dubai	85	67	clr	Sapporo	47	33	rn
Dublin	43	35	rn	Seoul	48	32	pc
Frankfurt	50	44	rn	Singapore	91	76	rn
Geneva	52	37	rn	Sofia	55	30	clr
Guatemala	73	57	pc	Stockholm	44	39	rn
Hanoi	81	68	rn	Sydney	89	70	rn
Harare	89	56	clr	Taipei	77	66	pc
Havana	77	51	pc	Tegucigalpa	71	64	pc
Helsinki	44	41	rn	Tehran	54	41	clr
Hong Kong	81	70	pc	Tel Aviv	73	53	clr
Islamabad	71	44	pc	Tokyo	66	53	clr
Istanbul	58	43	clr	Turin	52	41	pc
Jakarta	89	72	clr	Toronto	46	34	rn
Jerusalem	73	53	clr	Tunis	72	51	pc
Johannesburg	81	62	rn	Valletta	68	56	clr
Kabul	44	32	pc	Vancouver	45	37	pc
Kiev	53	33	clr	Vienna	42	32	pc
Kuala Lumpur	93	75	rn	Warsaw	50	36	pc
Kuwait	66	59	rn	Zurich	49	33	rn

MONDAY'S FORECAST



The weather is provided by the American Forces Network Weather Center, 2nd Weather Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

Sunday's U.S. temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	Casper	41	18	Clr	Erie	49	37	Rain	Jacksonville	72	38	PCldy	Montgomery	70	41	Clr	Richmond	64	36	Clr	Springfield, Ill	50	41	Cldy
Abilene, Tex	56	49	Cldy	Charleston, S.C.	69	39	Clr	Eugene	46	33	Cldy	Juneau	39	35	Rain	Nashville	62	43	Cldy	Roanoke	63	37	PCldy	Springfield, Mo	53	46	Cldy
Akron, Ohio	51	36	Rain	Charlotte, N.C.	62	34	PCldy	Evansville	53	44	Cldy	Kansas City	44	38	Cldy	New Orleans	73	54	Cldy	Rochester	48	33	Cldy	Syracuse	46	33	Cldy
Albany, N.Y.	47	32	Cldy	Charlotte, N.C.	67	36	PCldy	Fairbanks	04/03	Clr	Key West	78	66	PCldy	New York City	56	39	Clr	Rockford	45	35	Cldy	Tallahassee	70	37	PCldy	
Albuquerque	46	39	Cldy	Chattanooga	63	37	PCldy	Fargo	35	25	Cldy	Knoxville	61	37	PCldy	Newark	56	38	Clr	Sacramento	61	36	Clr	Tampa	76	51	Clr
Allentown, Pa.	53	30	PCldy	Cheyenne	37	20	PCldy	Flagstaff	39	25	Cldy	Lake Charles	73	55	Cldy	Norfolk, Va.	66	40	Clr	St Louis	53	47	Cldy	Toledo	50	37	Rain
Amarillo	44	30	Cldy	Chicago	46	37	Cldy	Flint	45	32	Cldy	Lansing	44	34	Cldy	North Platte	44	24	PCldy	St Petersburg	73	54	Clr	Topeka	47	38	Cldy
Anchorage	21	18	Cldy	Cincinnati	56	40	Cldy	Fort Smith	59	49	Rain	Las Vegas	60	44	PCldy	Oklahoma City	52	46	Cldy	St Thomas	86	76	Clr	Tucson	61	46	Cldy
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Baton Rouge	73	50	Cldy	Concord, N.H.	48	30	Clr	Great Falls	44	26	PCldy	Lubbock	49	41	Cldy	Philadelphia	57	37	PCldy	San Francisco	67	47	Clr	Wichita	46	39	Cldy
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Birmingham	67	43	PCldy	Dallas-Ft Worth	60	59	Rain	Greensboro, N.C.	66	35	PCldy	Madison	40	31	Cldy	Pittsburgh	54	35	Cldy	Santa Fe	43	31	Snow	Wilkes-Barre	47	31	Cldy
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR/OPINION

Jesus cartoon disgusting

I'm offended Stars and Stripes would allow a cartoonist to make a mockery of Jesus in your opinion section (Nov. 17).

In the cartoon, Jesus is being called a socialist, among other questionable names. More indignant was the cartoonist's use of Jesus Christ as a comic tool to forward his slant on the current health care debate. While liberals' disgust in anything deemed "absolutist" is prevalent, the use of Jesus Christ as a pawn for their agenda is unspeakable.

Had the cartoonist instead used Muhammad in his caricature, he may have received the same kind of threats as the cartoonists in the Danish newspaper Jyllands-Posten. Yet, to the liberal-minded, Jesus Christ is an easy mark for their comedy, because so few Christians have the gall to speak out against such mockery. Taking advantage of this complacency has surely become commonplace.

What's bothersome is Stars and Stripes allowing this cartoonist a medium to espouse comedy at the expense of believers. I'm appalled Stars and Stripes would allow this to be printed.

Sgt. 1st Class Steve Bradford
Joint Base Balad, Iraq

PTSD study won't help

I read "Military tries to predict PTSD" (article, Nov. 21) with a heavy heart. Testing someone before and after battle isn't going to render more information than is already at our disposal: An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

We know how to lessen our chances of getting cancer, getting into car accidents and becoming violent by not smoking, driving slower and learning ways to manage our anger. Post-traumatic stress disorder is no different. Military officials should try studying servicemembers to see who has the predisposition to lose a leg or suffer third-degree burns and see how far that gets them.

Bringing PTSD out from under the umbrella of shame is to be lauded for sure, but

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why is it being singled out as the thing to treat before it happens? This is tantamount to trying to find ways to make smoking, speeding and domestic violence "safer."

Just because there are those who come away from battle relatively unharmed doesn't mean there's some magic formula out there just waiting to be discovered that would allow everyone to come home with a happy face. What is the military hoping for — disposition and constitution transplants from the unscathed to the pre-deployed?

War is already the least logical approach to anything, much like tossing someone into a food processor when they need an appendectomy.

Stop "studying" our wounded and treat them fully. Stop purposefully putting people into situations we already know are fraught with peril beyond their control, and dump the rest of the money, time and energy into another thing we already know: Diplomacy (and when needed, shackles and snipers) works.

Diana Hartman
Stuttgart, Germany

Military must reduce waste

[Regarding "Burning question" (article, Nov. 7), about the military's use of burn pits to dispose of trash and other waste:] There are a couple of issues here. One is a complete lack of protection for our human resources on bases (not to mention the detrimental long-term effects to the local population). The other is related to why this is such a pervasive problem.

Comparing [this tour] with my first tour in Baghdad in 2003-04, I can attest that the air pollution problem has gotten much worse, due to the massive amounts of one-use, nonrecycled plastics and water bottles generated by the tons each day.

There are three dining facilities at Camp Speicher, and one dining hall restricts patrons to using plastic everything (utensils, plates, cups, bowls, bottles and wrappers). The lack of washable utensils and the lack of incentives to encourage their use result in the policy to "hide the evidence" and reduce landfill space by nonstop burning — which often gets out of control during spring and summer.

The military must figure out a way to reduce waste. Effective ads run on American Forces Network encouraging safety and ways to prevent suicide, but very little is conveyed on how waste thrown away [and burned] creates chemical-laden fumes that can cause lung disease.

Many of my buddies switched to real silverware when they learned that the plastic set of three utensils (of which the fork is often the only one used) and other plastic ware end up in the dump and is burned in huge, polluting plumes. Plastics are made with petrochemicals and use substantial amounts of energy in their production, and also have to be constantly shipped via plane and truck. Reusable water bottles and washable utensils should be a top priority for all the armed forces.

Staff Sgt. Van Berry
Camp Speicher, Iraq

Abbas' weakness strengthens Hamas

Los Angeles Times editorial

There are reports of a deal to exchange hundreds of Palestinian prisoners for captured Israeli Sgt. Gilad Shalit. This is welcome news because the Islamic militant group Hamas has held the 23-year-old soldier as a human pawn, virtually incommunicado, since his capture on the Gaza Strip border in June 2006.

Shalit's release would be a political boon for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. ... Similarly, among Palestinians, Hamas would benefit from being seen as a liberator of prisoners from Israeli jails.

Unless there is also something in the agreement for Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas, however, the mod-

erate West Bank administrator will once again seem the loser.

Abbas, 74, has been growing politically weaker in recent months, undercut by Israel and the Obama administration, as well as by Hamas. Efforts to reconcile his Fatah faction with Hamas have stalled, and elections scheduled for January had to be postponed because Hamas refuses to allow them to take place in Gaza, the territory under its control. Peace negotiations that broke down during last winter's Gaza war have not resumed, largely because the U.S. failed to persuade Netanyahu to freeze Israeli settlement construction on lands captured in the 1967 war. The Obama administration also undermined Abbas' credibility with Palestinians by pressing him

to withdraw support for a United Nations report accusing Israel of violating international law during the Gaza war.

The Palestinian Authority owes its existence to the 1993 Oslo peace process, and Palestinian support for the authority rises and falls with its perceived ability to negotiate the creation of a Palestinian state. ... Frustrated, Abbas has threatened to resign and floated the idea of seeking U.N. support for a declaration of a Palestinian state without Israel's consent. That no one seems to be making a play for the job if Abbas leaves is one sign of just how weakened the presidency is. It's hard to see how Israel would benefit from losing its most reliable Palestinian partner, or how prospects for peace would be improved without Abbas.

By GARRY TRUDEAU



OPINION

Afghan goals tied to legitimate government

BY FREDERICK W. KAGAN
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The president will soon announce the deployment of additional U.S. forces to Afghanistan, in a speech likely to emphasize the importance of political progress there. Legitimacy is the most important outcome of a counterinsurgency strategy, not, as some have suggested, an input. It is unfortunate that much of the debate has ignored the role that additional military forces can play in building legitimacy and effective government in a counterinsurgency. Adding forces gives us leverage; military forces are vital to the success of any political strategy because they contribute directly to improving governance as well as to improving security.

The recent American experience in Iraq illustrates how U.S. forces and diplomacy helped correct the behaviors of a sometimes malign government in ways that helped neutralize insurgent groups. In early 2007, many Iraqi leaders were using instruments of state to support sectarian death squads. The dysfunctional government could not secure the population, pass laws or provide services to its people. The implementation of a fully resourced counterinsurgency strategy — enabled by the deployment of nearly six additional U.S. combat brigades — transformed Iraq's government within 18 months. Opponents of the "surge" argued that Iraqis would "step up" politically and militarily only if they knew that U.S. forces would leave. Instead, before committing to the fight, political leaders and populations throughout Iraq assessed whether U.S. forces would stay long enough to secure them. Iraqis stepped up precisely because of the absence of conditionality and time limits on U.S. force levels.

If the Afghan government were fully legitimate, there would be no insurgency. U.S. and international actions must aim to improve the Afghan government's ability to provide basic services such as security and dispute resolution nationwide, building the legitimacy of the government in Kabul sufficiently to dampen a large-scale

insurgency. They must persuade and even compel Afghan leaders to stop activities that alienate the people and create fertile ground for insurgents.

Adding U.S. forces in large numbers would help. It is critical that the Afghan people be provided security. Continuous violence, insurgent intimidation and propaganda campaigns create a sense of insecurity that undermines the government. As we have seen in Iraq and some parts of Afghanistan, a reduction in violence can slow or stop the erosion of the government's legitimacy. It can also create space in which to resolve underlying tensions. ...

But American military forces also contribute directly to efforts to improve Afghan institutions. In Afghanistan, as in Iraq, international troops will partner with army and police units. Afghan forces can learn by listening to the exhortations of mentors and by seeing the world's best military perform those tasks. Partnered American units also hinder illegal activities, such as extortion, that Afghan units might otherwise undertake.

American military forces can also help restrain politicians' abuses of power. U.S. forces can develop a picture of local power structures, including those through which Afghan officials abuse their power and exacerbate the insurgency. American commanders can collect evidence on individual offenders that a reformed Afghan judicial system would one day be able to use. In the short term, such evidence can be published, embarrassing the official and others involved. ... We can also threaten to add the worst offenders to our target lists when abuse of power directly supports the enemy. Used systematically, as happened in Iraq, this leverage can dramatically alter the behavior of networks of people misusing their power.

Making the deployment of forces conditional on the behavior of the Afghan government is counterproductive. Withholding forces reduces our ability to control the violence and to spot the networks of corruption. It encourages Afghan leaders to avoid committing to support our



objectives. Declaring that our military commitment depends on things not under our control undermines the confidence Afghans have in our staying power, dramatically reducing the likelihood that they will side with us against enemies who would otherwise kill them.

Conditionality makes more sense when applied to financial aid, as Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton recently indicated. Afghanistan depends on international aid to function. Threatening to withhold all aid would be foolish. But donors could establish specific targets for reducing corruption and improving the effectiveness of particular ministries and local governments. Continued aid to those institutions could be made dependent on their progress. ... Aid could be suspended or reduced to ministries or localities known to be run for the advantage of important members of the corruption networks, as a way to cajole President Hamid Karzai into removing them from power. This approach

places the conditionality where we want it — on our support to the Afghan government — rather than on our ability to pursue our own security objectives.

Afghan governance will not improve as long as American forces are unable to provide security to the people and improve the capabilities of Afghan forces. It will not improve as long as Afghans think that the U.S. is not serious about the effort. Since 2005 the U.S. has failed to provide the military effort with enough resources, yet expected an effective Afghan government to blossom. This strategy helped bring us to the current crisis. President Barack Obama should embrace and resource the counterinsurgency approach that Gen. Stanley McChrystal has proposed.

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Military should respect, not downplay, red flags

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel editorial

It's impossible to say with certainty that the Army could have prevented the suicide of James Weigl, an Army veteran of Iraq who hanged himself in March.

There is no absolutely no difficulty, however, in concluding that if Weigl's case accurately reflects the concern and quality of care afforded the nation's emotionally and mentally wounded warriors, this country is failing them. This is clear from the insensitivities displayed and the number of lapses that spelled treatment ignored or delayed for a troubled man.

Weigl was driven by patriotism to join the Army but he shouldn't have been allowed to enlist at all because of his medical history. He soon found himself falling prey to emotional and mental turmoil. The Army, according to records compiled by his mother, essentially told him that he was faking to get out of a return trip to Iraq.

As the model soldier deteriorated into a soldier with an "attitude problem," depression went unrecognized and untreated. When it was finally acknowledged, a diagnosis of bipolar disorder came with it. After initial treatment, this too went unmedicated for a time, according to Weigl's records.

And yet none of that compelled the

Army to conclude that he shouldn't be sent for another tour of duty in Iraq or, apparently, to ponder whether he should be discharged.

The Army's view seemed to be that its investment in his training trumped his difficulties. We've heard this rationale also in the case of Army psychiatrist Nidal Malik Hasan, accused in the Fort Hood massacre. He also gave warning signs of danger ahead — warnings that he shouldn't be in

the Army at all.

When Weigl was finally discharged early — and honorably — the official reason was for injuries sustained during a car crash that was in itself a byproduct of his mental difficulties. What treatment he got was because of his parents' insistence.

Released from the Army, the Department of Veterans Affairs actively helped him. But it wasn't enough. He told his mother that he had "hit a wall."

His parents in Illinois rushed to help him but found him hanging in his garage.

One hundred forty soldiers took their own lives last year, with 129 counted at mid-year 2009. It's unclear how many Iraq and Afghanistan veterans have done so because so many get private treatment.

What is clear is that the military's increasing awareness of the emotional toll that war and service exacts is welcome but belated. We owe soldiers more than this.

Prickly City



BY SCOTT STANTIS

Man convicted of killing wife's lover

HI HILO — A jury found a former Waikoloa hotel worker guilty of second degree murder for shooting and killing his wife's long-time lover.

Lito Mateo shot Tito Rafol, 38, 18 times in the parking lot of the Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort & Spa on March 8, 2007. The Big Island jury, meeting also found Mateo, 56, guilty of using a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Mateo could get a mandatory life sentence on the murder charge, plus an additional 20 years for the firearms charge. He is scheduled to be sentenced on Feb. 4.

The shooting happened during an afternoon shift change, and was witnessed by a number of people, including Mateo's wife, Cornelia, and Rafol's sister.

Father's defense: kids like to play in the trunk

MA FALL RIVER — Massachusetts police said a man locked his two young sons in the trunk of his car while he ran an errand.

Fall River police said Michael Monahan put his kids, ages 3 and 6, in the trunk of his Pontiac Trans Am for several minutes while he went inside a sailing shop.

According to court records, Monahan told investigators the boys like to play in the trunk.

The 35-year-old Monahan pleaded not guilty to assault and reckless endangerment of a child. He was released on cash bail.

The children are in the custody of their mother.

Dogs rescued from puppy mills fly east for homes

IL CHICAGO — More than 50 dogs rescued from puppy mills in Missouri were flown to Long Island in the hope of finding loving homes.

The dogs were taken by bus to Chicago, where they were given a rest break and special Thanksgiving meals.

Pet Airways flew the dogs from Chicago to New York's LaGuardia Airport. The North Shore Animal League America in Port Washington, N.Y., was to take them in and put them up for adoption.

Missouri launched a campaign last summer to investigate and prosecute unlicensed dog breeders.

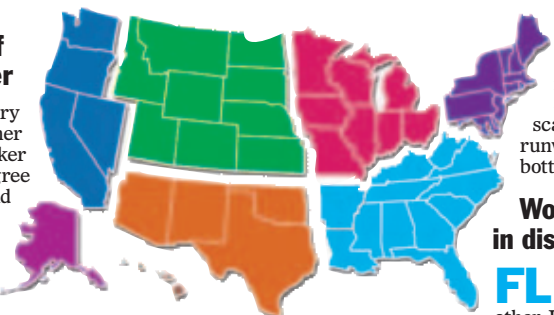
Baby abandoned at bakery; father charged

TX WESLACO — A Weslaco man is accused of abandoning his 4-month-old daughter inside a bakery.

Robert Lopez, 43, is charged with abandonment and endangerment of a child. He was arrested after employees of Marines Bakery & Cake Shoppe said he entered the shop with the girl, put her in a car seat, placed his order then left without buying anything.

Lopez had drug paraphernalia with him when arrested and faces "intoxication on something other than alcohol" charges, police said.

Lopez was paced in the Hidalgo County Jail. It was not immediately clear if he had an attorney.



AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Bizarre string of calf mutilations at ranch

CO SAN LUIS — A creepy string of calf mutilations in southern Colorado has a rancher and sheriff's officials mystified, and a UFO chaser thinks extraterrestrials are involved.

Four calves were found dead recently in a pasture north of the New Mexico state line. The dead calves had their skins peeled back and organs cleared from the rib cage. One calf had its tongue removed.

But rancher Manuel Sanchez has found no signs of human attackers — such as footprints or ATV tracks — or animal attackers — such as pools of blood. Sheriff's officers told The Pueblo Chieftan newspaper that they are baffled.

Yet another animal invades the runway

NC RALEIGH — As if baggage, security and traffic aren't enough of a hassle for the thousands who fly in and out of Raleigh-Durham International Airport, here's one more thing to worry about: coyotes on the runway.

RDU officials have noted a marked increase in recent months in the number of coyotes crossing the paths of taxiing airplanes. The critters can wreak havoc, causing delays in takeoffs and landings. In September, an American Eagle jet even struck a coyote on a runway.



One fast bird

Liz Deets, from Iowa City, Iowa, dons a turkey outfit for the 36th annual Turkey Trot in Denver.

No one was injured. RDU workers and federal wildlife managers usually try to scare the coyotes off runways with cap guns or bottle rockets.

Workers speak out in discrimination case

FL MIAMI — Nurse Natalie Wrisk and two other Jackson Memorial Hospital employees involved in the case of Lisa Marie Pond's death have spoken for the first time, vehemently denying the allegations of anti-gay bias that were made in a lawsuit.

Pond, 39, was close to death, unconscious and on a ventilator. Her partner, Janice Langbehn, had power of attorney to make medical decisions on her behalf.

Langbehn has insisted repeatedly that Jackson social worker Garnett Frederick told her she couldn't see her dying partner because they were in "an anti-gay city and state."

A judge threw out Langbehn's lawsuit in September.

Frederick, a Jackson social worker for 19 years, called the accusations against him "offensive, preposterous."

Jury finds retired officer guilty of raping woman

NY WHITE PLAINS — A retired New York City policeman has been convicted of drugging a woman in a Bronx bar and raping her in a Westchester County motel.

A Westchester jury found Jose Arroyo guilty of rape and drug charges. He could be sentenced to as much as 25 years in prison when sentenced Jan. 20.

Prosecutors said the 47-year-old Arroyo spiked the drink of a 31-year-old woman from Texas last November, then took her to a Greenburgh motel and raped her. She fled the next morning.

Beach erosion fears may close fishing hole

TX HOUSTON — Anglers might be getting their last casts at one of the most favored fishing spots on the Texas Gulf Coast.

State officials are seeking a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to close Rollover Pass — a manmade cut across the narrowest point of the Bolivar Peninsula near Galveston.

State land officials believe the 54-year-old pass is hastening beach erosion.

A spokesman said the state plans to replace the pass with a fishing pier.

Low oxygen blamed in coal miner's death

AL BROOKWOOD — The federal Mine Safety and Health Administration is blaming low oxygen for the death of a coal miner at a west Alabama mine.

James Chaney, 53, of Berry, was killed. The federal Mine Safety and Health Administration said he and another miner entered an area of low oxygen when they were inspecting the Jim Walters No. 7 Mine near Brookwood.

The second miner and four rescuers were hospitalized.



Just left to rot

Apples are seen along Zig Zag Road in Albion, N.Y. Last year, with a strong economy and a shortage of apples, farmers were picking up apples off the ground for the juice market. This year, with a big apple crop and soft economy, apples are being left on the ground and many remain on trees.



Waves of Santas

Sidewalk Santas in New York.

A small child waves as people participate in the Volunteers of America's 107th Annual Parade of



Aztec dance at Alcatraz

A young boy dances during an Aztec ceremony at the Indigenous People's Sunrise Gathering at Alcatraz Island in San Francisco.



A glass a day

Ernie Weir looks over a glass of wine at his Hagafen Cellars winery in Napa, Calif. The winery is one of the few that are kosher in the country.



Jesus or Mona Lisa?

To Mary Jo Coady, residue on an iron at her home in Methuen, Mass., looks like an image of Jesus Christ, reassuring her that "life is going to be good."



Can't extinguish a tradition

Members of Texas A&M's Walton Hall watch the off-campus Aggie Bonfire north of Bryan, Texas. In 1999, the bonfire structure collapsed, killing 12. Students and alumni still hold the event without university support.

The Jon and Kate of the animal world

WY POWELL — A Wyoming family's Leonberger dog has given birth to a litter of 18 puppies.

Ariel, a large Leonberger dog owned by Mary Ann Ruggiero-Smith, of Powell, gave birth to the puppies late last month.

After the pups were born, the family of Ruggiero-Smith and Paul Smith pitched in to help feed the lot puppy formula. By the time the puppies were a week and a half old, Ariel was producing enough milk to feed them with little or no help.

Christian church, Native Americans reconcile

NY NEW YORK — Members of America's oldest Protestant church have apologized for the first time for the massacre and displacement of Native Americans 400 years ago.

The Collegiate Church, formerly the First Dutch Reform Church, and representatives of the Lenape tribe held a ceremony of reconciliation in New York City.

The ceremony took place on the spot where the First Dutch Reform Church once stood. It was known as the "company church" of the Dutch merchants, whose trading post helped develop the city's economic power. The ceremony was held where Broadway begins. Four hundred years ago, Broadway was an American Indian trail.

The Rev. Robert Chase told the Lenape: "We consumed your resources, dehumanized your people and disregarded your culture."

Glitch limits viewing of drunken driving suspects

HI HONOLULU — A computer glitch is limiting the viewing of drunken driving suspects arrested by Honolulu police.

The police department began posting pictures of the charged suspects on its Web site in an effort to deter people from becoming intoxicated and then driving.

The pictures of 56 people were placed on the site, but only users of Internet Explorer browsers were able to see them. Users of Firefox, Safari and other browsers were unable to view the pictures.

Police spokeswoman Caroline Sluyter said technicians are looking into the problem but she did not know when the site would be fully operational. A note on the page says it is best viewed using Internet Explorer version 6 or later.

Family sues over dead man's shattered casket

AZ PHOENIX — A family is suing after they say their relative's body slipped out of a casket that broke when it was dropped into the grave. The cemetery workers fled, leaving stunned mourners to pull the corpse back out of the grave themselves, the family says.

Lawsuits filed by the children, wife and two dozen family members of Robert Gowdy Sr., 50, claim a strap on a casket-lowering device snapped as family was gathered around the grave last year, dropping Gowdy's coffin and breaking it open, The Arizona Republic newspaper reported.

After the mishap at the grave, the cemetery workers ran away,

the family said.

Two family members tried to lift the casket but the bottom dropped out, exposing that it was made of stapled-together particle board, according to the lawsuit against the city of Mesa and its workers, the funeral home, casket company and device-maker.

The Gowdys said they had contracted with the funeral home to purchase a solid wood casket. The funeral director for the Preston Funeral Home in Phoenix told them the model wasn't available and offered an upgrade to a better model, they said.

The funeral home denied that Gowdy's body slid out of the casket, according to court documents.

Man apparently tried to haul away ATM

CO BOULDER — Authorities say a man in Colorado apparently tried to steal an ATM by hauling it away with a truck.

The plan didn't work. The alleged attempted theft of the free-standing, outdoor ATM in Boulder set off an alarm. When police arrived they found the ATM on its side about 15 feet from its foundation outside a Chase Bank. No money had been taken.

Surveillance photos show a man hooking the ATM's chain to the back of a U-Haul truck. The truck, which had been reported as stolen, was discovered a short distance away later that day.

Suspect dies after police chase, shooting

TX DALLAS — Authorities said a man who led police on a long chase was fatally shot after his pickup truck slammed into a tree and he pulled out a gun during a confrontation with officers.

The chase started in the suburb of Garland and continued until the wreck off Interstate 30 in Dallas. The suspect died at the scene, police said.

Dallas detectives are investigating the incident and Garland Police are conducting an internal affairs investigation. Two Garland officers will be placed on paid administrative leave pending an outcome of the investigation.

Fire chief chided for allowing wedding ride

MA REVERE — The mayor of Revere, Mass., has verbally reprimanded the fire chief for allowing a firefighter to ride a department ladder truck nine miles to his wedding.

The ride didn't cost the city money. The truck was out of service because of budget cuts and was driven by two off-duty firefighters who volunteered their time. The groom paid \$20 to cover fuel costs.

But Mayor Thomas Ambrosino told the Daily Item of Lynn that Chief Eugene Doherty "showed very poor judgment" in allowing firefighter Kevin O'Hara to ride the truck from Revere to the Nahant Country Club.

Doherty said department vehicles are often used for parades and other events and he allowed the ride because O'Hara is a good firefighter. But he acknowledges the nine-mile ride might have been a "stretch."

Horoscope

It's the day before the full moon, and a great deal of tension has been building up. To make matters more interesting, Mercury in passionate Sagittarius squares Uranus in spiritual Pisces. People who do not share the same belief systems are likely to rub each other the wrong way or touch a nerve with their choice of conversation. Treat lightly.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Nov. 30). From the outside, many aspects of your life appear the same, and yet your life is definitely different this year — happier. You are getting better at knowing what makes you feel good and sticking to it. Hard work and sweat are featured in December. February brings financial uplift. May offers travel and fun. Gemini and Pisces people adore you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

Another one of your roaming moods kicks in. As a rule, you'd prefer not to do the same thing, day in and day out. You'd rather stay away from routine, even if it does take more energy. For you, the adventure is worth it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

Strike "should" from your vocabulary. You have a choice to do something or not to do it. Today you'll be inclined to leap into each choice you make with all your heart, and that's why people will follow you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Making lemonade from lemons is too passe for you. You'll turn your lemons into something more exciting — a flaming sorbet or a fancy pie. With a twist and a flourish, you create magic and entertainment.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

Poet Emily Dickinson said, "Hope is the thing with feathers/That perches in the soul..." Your sense of hope right now is so strong you feel it could lift you off your feet.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

This road you're traveling on is about to

fork. You can't go down both paths, but know this: Either one you pick will turn out to be the right decision. Be confident and know all will be well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

A step taken in pursuit of your dreams is a bold step indeed. When you think your efforts are wasted, you take stock and press on. You cannot give up, and you won't. What's more, you're closer than you think.

Holiday Mathis



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).

Travel is on your mind. And if you are planning into the far-off future, you'll get a deal, too. You are attracted to remote locations that don't usually appeal to the average tourist.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

How many times do you need to be told you're beautiful before you believe it? You light up a room with your smile, and if people aren't saying it to you, they're saying it to each other.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Be patient with yourself: The path you're on isn't an easy one, and you can't make it better by hurrying. Building the pyramids wasn't a weekend project. True success takes time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

When you find something funny, don't hold back. Lose yourself in laughter. Hold the sides of your belly and laugh maybe even to the point of snorting. That's the way your heart hits the reset button.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).

Someone needs to give you a high-five. This work you've done really couldn't have been done any better, and the results just speak for themselves. Enjoy the adulation. If it hasn't come, it will.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

When you see something you like, it's normal for you to tell a friend, or all your friends. And lucky for them, you have great taste. Today you'll share a few tips and insights and enrich a few lives in the process.

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SUDOKU

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Difficulty: Very Easy

Fill in the boxes so that each row, column and 3-by-3 square includes the digits 1 through 9. For solution, tips and computer program, see www.sudoku.com

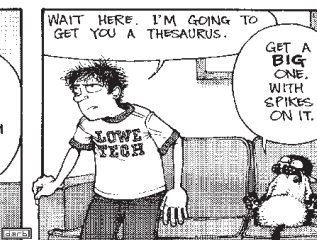
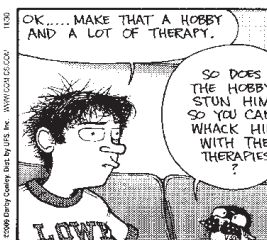
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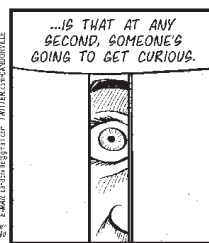
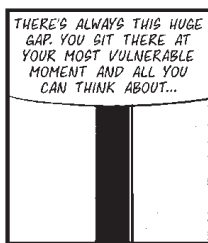
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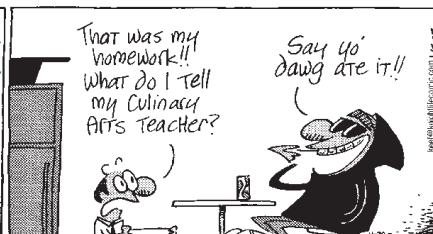
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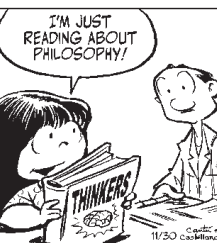
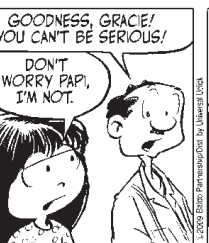
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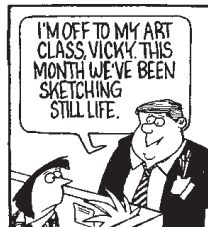
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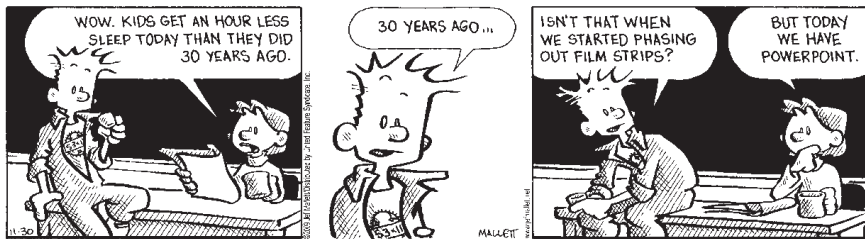
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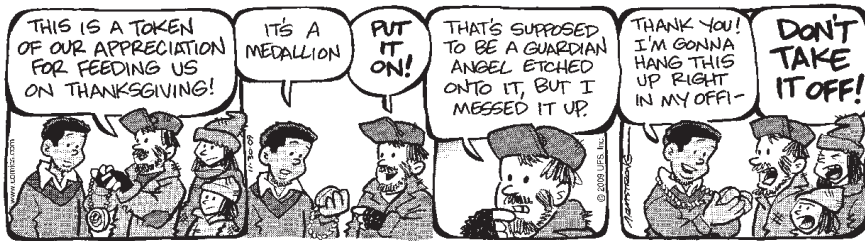
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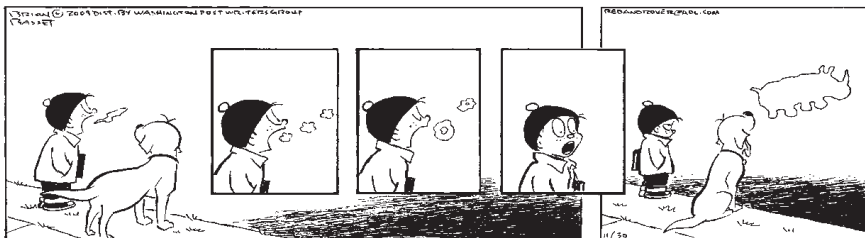
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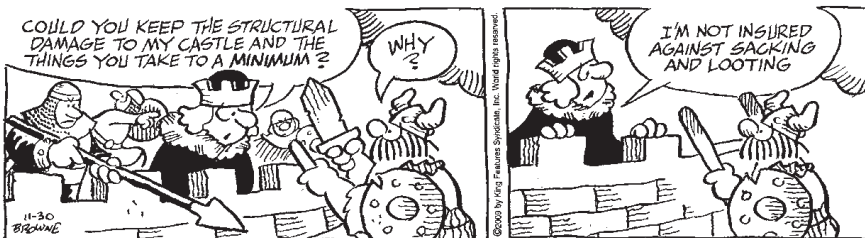
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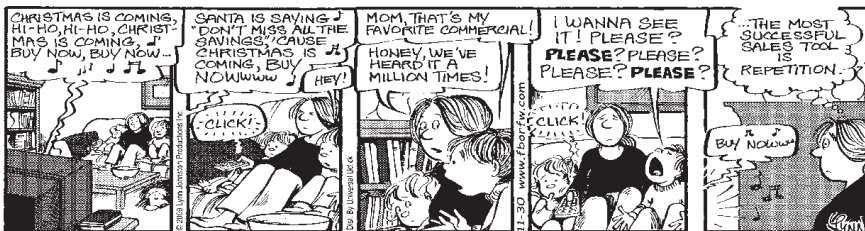
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Better or Worse



Eugene Sheffer Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Energy
- 4 Manila hemp
- 9 Legume
- 12 "— Kapital"
- 13 Man of La Mancha
- 14 Jamaican export in a bottle
- 15 Plaster ingredient
- 17 Rage
- 18 — -CIO
- 19 Follower of Brigham Young
- 21 Hire
- 24 Lotion additive
- 25 By way of
- 26 Carpet
- 28 "Peter, Peter, pumpkin —"
- 31 Sea eagles
- 33 9-Across holder
- 35 It ain't worth a nickel
- 36 Of birth
- 38 Dict. information
- 40 Wrong (Pref.)
- 41 Curved molding
- 43 "Everybody Loves Raymond" brother
- 45 Maiden in distress?
- 47 Savings plan acronym
- 48 Midafternoon, on a sundial
- 49 Musical mobile, maybe
- 54 Branch

DOWN

- 55 "— Grows in Brooklyn"
- 56 Book spine abbr.
- 57 Caustic solution
- 58 Decade parts
- 59 Sweet potato
- 21 Divisible by two
- 22 Actress Sorvino
- 23 It goes without saying
- 27 Deity
- 29 Eastern potentate
- 30 Whatever's left over
- 32 Droops
- 34 One given to mockery
- 37 Elbow room
- 39 Impels
- 42 The 400
- 44 "Phooey!"
- 45 Rotary phone part
- 46 Ethereal
- 50 Gun lobby org.
- 51 Wall-climbing plant
- 52 Extinct bird
- 53 "Slippery" tree

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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CRYPTOQUIP

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: WHAT MIGHT YOU NAME A DULL, NERDY PERSON WHO TAKES A VERY, VERY LONG NAP? DRIP VAN WINKLE.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals O



AFN Television Schedule									
Updated sports listings are available on AFN's Web site at www.myafn.net									
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2009									
	AFN/prime Atlantic	AFN/family	AFN/movie	AFN/news	AFN/prime Pacific	PENTAGON	AFN/spectrum	AFN/sports	AFN/xtra
15:00	Washington Week	(2:25) Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1994, Fantasy)	(1:10) Movie "Misery" (1990) James Caan, Kathy Bates. A psychotic fan holds an injured novelist captive.	Geraldo at Large	Man vs. Wild "Ring of Fire" (Part 2 of 2)	Recon Revisited	Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles	SportsCenter	Sports
15:30	House Call					The American Veteran			
16:00	Entertainers	Be the Creature Mongoose adventures in Africa.		Huckabee	Toughest Race on Earth: Iditarod	Fit For Duty	Heroes The Identity of the shooter is revealed.	SportsCenter	
16:30						Battleground			
17:00	In Touch-Dr	Movie "The Polar Express" (2004, Fantasy)	Movie "Guilty as Sin" (1993, Suspense) Rebecca De Mornay, Don Johnson, Stephen Lang.	FOX Report	Survivor: Samoa	Week-Pentagon	King of the Hill	Sports	Sports
17:30	Creflo Dollar Straight talk.	Voices of Tom Hanks, Michael Jeter, Nona Gaye.				Army Newswatch	That '70s Show		
18:00	Love Worth Finding			Newsroom	The Chris Matthews Show	The Grill Sergeants	The National Parks: America's Best Idea		
18:30	Crossing the Goal				ESPNEWS	USARJ This Week			
19:00	Austin City Limits "Etta James"	So You Think You Can Dance	Movie "Failure to Launch" (2006, Romance-Comedy) Matthew McConaughey, Sarah Jessica Parker.	Glenn Beck	20/20	Recon	Supernanny		
19:30						FNG Useful benefits.			
20:00	MotorWeek	The Secret Life of the American Teenager		CNN Sunday	In Plain Sight "Training Video"	Today's Air Force	Criminal Minds "Soul Mates"		Sports
20:30	At the Movies					Fit For Duty			
21:00	Digging for the Truth The ancient city of Tiwanaku.	Greek "Gays, Ghosts and Gamma Rays"	(8:55) Movie "Step Brothers" (2008, Comedy) Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly.	Frontline	Gossip Girl "The Ex-Files"	Battleground	Mad Men "The Mountain King"		
21:30						Recon Revisited			
22:00	Carrier "Rites of Passage"	Touched by an Angel		Today	Headline News	Week-Pentagon	Seinfeld "The Movie"		
22:30			(4:5) Movie "The Scorpion King" (2002, Adventure) The Rock, Steven Brand.		Saturday Night Live	The Grill Sergeants	Friends		
23:00	Man vs. Wild "Ring of Fire" (Part 2 of 2)	7th Heaven "Sunday"		CBS News Sunday Morning		Around the Services	Dancing With the Stars	Outside the Lines	Sports
23:30						Around the Services	Sports Reporters		
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2009									
00:00	Toughest Race on Earth: Iditarod	So You Think You Can Dance	(10:45) The Scorpion King	CBS News Sunday Morning	Comics Unleashed	Around the Services	Dancing With the Stars	Sports	(11:00) Sports
00:30			Movie "The Green Berets" (1968, Drama) John Wayne, David Janssen, Jim Hutton. A cynical anti-war newsman is assigned to a career soldier.	Face the Nation	Two and a Half Men	Around the Services	Dancing With the Stars		
1:00	Survivor: Samoa	The Secret Life of the American Teenager "Unforgiven"		This Week With George Stephanopoulos	NCIS The FBI suspects a mosque of terrorist recruitment.	Around the Services			
1:30						Fit For Duty			
2:00	Sports	Greek "Gays, Ghosts and Gamma Rays"		Meet the Press	Life "What They Saw"	The Benning Report			Sports
2:30						The Grill Sergeants	24 "Day 6: 4:00AM - 5:00AM; Day 6: 5:00AM - 6:00AM"		
3:00		Touched by an Angel "The Whole Truth and Nothing but..."	(1:15) Movie "Failure to Launch" (2006, Romance-Comedy) Matthew McConaughey, Sarah Jessica Parker.	America's News HQ	20/20	VA News	NUMB3RS "Nine Wives"	Sports	
3:30		7th Heaven "Sunday"		Amanpour.	In Plain Sight "Training Video"	This Week in the Pentagon			
4:00						Balad and Beyond			
4:30						FNG Useful benefits.	Friends		
5:00		Teletubbies The number two.	(1:10) Movie "Step Brothers" (2008) Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly. Two spoiled men become rivals when their parents marry.	Your Money	Gossip Girl "The Ex-Files"	Battleground	Namaste Yoga		Sports
5:30		Rolie Polie Olie				Today's Air Force	Total Body Sculpt With Gilad		
6:00	Sports	Sesame Street		America's News HQ	Good Morning America	Recon	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives		
6:30						The American Veteran	Paula's Home Cooking		
7:00		Bear in the Big Blue House	Entertainers	Fareed Zakaria GPS	This Week With George Stephanopoulos	USARJ This Week	E! News Entertainment news.		
7:30		Raggs				The Grill Sergeants			
8:00		Dora the Explorer The beach.	Maltin's Secret's Out	FOX News Sunday With Chris Wallace	Sesame Street	This Week in the Pentagon	ER Abby's overbearing mother arrives. Neela gets drunk.	Sports	
8:30		Ni Hao, Kai-lan	Entertainment Tonight			Army Newswatch			
9:00	Sports	Johnny and the Sprites	Movie "Killing Mr. Griffin" (1997, Drama) Jay Thomas, Mario Lopez, Amy Jo Johnson.	FOX Report	The View	Fit For Duty	Desperate Housewives "There's Always a Woman"		Sports
9:30		Hi-5 "Colors: Animals"				Around the Services			
10:00		Peep and Big Wide		State of the Union With John King	Dr. Phil		Grey's Anatomy "Brave New World"	(1:15) Sports	
10:30		Super Why!	(4:45) Movie "Mumford" (1999, Comedy) Loren Dean, Hope Davis, Jason Lee. A man poses as a psychologist in a small town.	Hannity	The Dr. Oz Show	Fit For Duty	Judge Judy		
11:00		Movie "Pocahontas" (1995, Fantasy) Voices of Irene Bedard, Judy Kuhn, Mel Gibson.				FNG Useful benefits.	Judge Alex		
11:30						This Week in the Pentagon	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Scuba Doobie-Do"		Sports
12:00	Sports	Dora the Explorer		Newsroom	Access Hollywood	Fit For Duty	Feasting on Asphalt "Fry Me a River" Mississippi.		
12:30		Raggs	(12:50) Movie "A Walk in the Clouds" (1995) Keanu Reeves. Two people fall in love while pretending to be married.	Huckabee	The King of Queens	Battleground	Good Eats Staging a variety show.		
13:00	This Week	Bear in the Big Blue House		Larry King Live	The Young and the Restless	EXchange on Air			
13:30		Sesame Street				Briefing Encore			
14:00	Meet the Press			60 Minutes	Days of our Lives	Downrange	Designers' Challenge		Sports
14:30						FNG Useful benefits.	The Soup		
15:00	Wall Street Journal Report	Funnisti Home Videos	(2:50) Movie "Speed" (1994) Keanu Reeves, Dennis Hopper. A transit bus is wired to explode if it drops below 50 mph.	State of the Union With John King	Oprah Winfrey	Recon	MythBusters "Water Stun Gun" Electric stun gun myth.	SportsCenter	
15:30	ESPNNEWS	Planet's Funnisti Animals				Fit For Duty	King of the Hill		Sports
16:00	Sesame Street	(3:50) Pokémon		This Week in the Pentagon	Wheel of Fortune	Battleground	That '70s Show		
16:30		(4:40) Zatch Bell	Inside the Actors Studio "Family Guy"	Up to the Minute	Jeopardy!	Tour of Duty			
17:00	The View	(0:5) The Fairly OddParents			Wall Street Journal Report	This Week in the Pentagon	Saturday Night Live Just Game Show Parodies		
17:30		Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles		Face the Nation	Downrange	VA News			
18:00	Dr. Phil	SpongeBob SquarePants	Entertainment Tonight	Newsroom	60 Minutes	EXchange on Air	The Amazing Race 15 One team takes a four-hour penalty.		WWE SmackDown!
18:30		Hannah Montana				Army Newswatch			
19:00	The Dr. Oz Show	iCarly "Saw Him First"	Movie "Iron Man" (2008, Action) Robert Downey Jr., Terrence Howard, Gwyneth Paltrow. A billionaire dons an armored suit to fight criminals.	Fox and Friends First	NCIS A security breach results in the death of an ICE agent.	Briefing Encore	Warehouse 13 "Claudia" Arlie is kidnapped by a woman.		
19:30		Suite Life of Zack & Cody				Fit For Duty	Fringe "The No-Brainer"		
20:00	Access Hollywood	Smallville "Lara"		Today	The Jay Leno Show	Battleground			4th and Long
20:30	The King of Queens					Recon			
21:00	The Young and the Restless	Beverly Hills, 90210 "Heartbreaker"	(2:20) Movie "In Her Shoes" (2005) Cameron Diaz, Toni Collette. A sexy partyer clashes with her serious-minded sister.	Today	Pacific Report	This Week in the Pentagon	Seinfeld "The Visa"		RENO 911!
21:30					The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien	The Grill Sergeants	Friends		The Man Show
22:00	General Hospital	Degrassi: Next Generation		America's Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	Briefing Encore	Saturday Night Live Just Game Show Parodies	Sports	Comedy Central Presents
22:30		Strange Days-Blake Holsey				Recon Revisited			Premium Blend
23:00	Days of our Lives	7th Heaven "Back in the Saddle Again"	(4:5) MovieFace/Off (1997)						
23:30									
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2009									
00:00	Oprah Winfrey	iCarly "Saw Him First"	(11:45) Movie "Face/Off" (1997, Action) John Travolta, Nicolas Cage. An FBI agent and a violent terrorist switch identities.	Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	Today's Air Force	Late Night With Jimmy Fallon	(11:00) Sports	Sports
00:30		Suite Life of Zack & Cody			The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson	Downrange			
1:00	Wheel of Fortune	Smallville "Lara"		MSNBC Live	Judge Judy	Pacific Report	Criminal Minds "In Birth and Death"		
1:30	Jeopardy!				House "Unfaithful"	Fit For Duty	NCIS "Cover Story"		
2:00	Headline News	Beverly Hills, 90210 "Heartbreaker"	(1:15) Movie "Iron Man" (2008, Action) Robert Downey Jr., Terrence Howard, Gwyneth Paltrow. A billionaire dons an armored suit to fight criminals.	Happening Now		The Grill Sergeants			
2:30	ATS/AFN Report					Around the Services			
3:00	60 Minutes	Degrassi: Next Generation		Newsroom	Oprah Winfrey	Downrange	October Road "Hat? No Hat?"		WWE SmackDown!
3:30		Strange Days-Blake Holsey				All Hands TV			
4:00	NCIS A security breach results in the death of an ICE agent.	7th Heaven "Back in the Saddle Again"		MSNBC Live	Dr. Phil	Recon	Seinfeld "The Visa"	Sports	
4:30			(3:55) Movie "In Her Shoes" (2005, Comedy-Drama) Cameron Diaz, Toni Collette.			State Dept Briefing	Friends		
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Autos for Sale 141

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Yokota, Japan - 1998 Mazda Demo - Available immediately 4-door hatchback, easy to drive and park in Japan. 4 snow tires included. 105,000 km. JCI expire July 2011 asking \$1500 Contact Matt at 080-3801-9796 or email matt230s@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - 94 Toyota Camry 82000kilometers runs great very good gas mileage has many options. Must sale, PCS in Late DEC. JCI until 28 Dec 2010 asking \$1800 Call or email roger 1-702-946-6078 roger.egley@gmail.com

Yokota, Japan - 94 Toyota Levin - PCS ASAP! REDUCED! 1994 Toyota Levin Red 2 Door coupe Automatic Transmission 91,000km New Front Tires and Battery last year Driver's great! Never had a single maintenance problem! PCS'ing 2 Dec so must sell! JCI until April 2010 asking \$800 OBO Please call Dan 090-1732-2663

Autos for Sale 141

Yokota, Japan - 95 Honda Civic Hatchback in good condition \$1500 OBO JCI good until Dec 23, 2010! Low mileage 47,000 K Great and reliable car Cheap on gas and car insurance Power windows and locks Car comes with iPod adapter A/C refrigerator was just serviced JCI until Dec 23 2010 asking \$1500 OBO Please email Christa christa.sullinger@gmail.com or call 260-572-0517

Yokota, Japan - 95 RVR 4X4 SUV Great all wheel drive SUV 92K Kilometers, very reliable PCS'ing must sale call or email Roger 1-702-946-6078 roger.egley@gmail.com

Yokota, Japan - 96 Toyota Tureno (Black Top AE86) Super Strut Suspension, TRD wing and bumper, Exhaust, Rims, Recaro Seats. Great car but I'm PCS'ing. JCI until Feb. 2010 asking \$2500 Please email Johns bishiboy18@yahoo.com or call 080-5932-3231

Yokota, Japan - Black Nissan Gloria VIP Brougham Reduced Price Worth every penny my lost your gain. Powerful smooth drive, JCI until March 2011 Asking 380,000yen Please bjrjam@gmail.com

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Yokota, Japan - Honda fit aria year 2003 engine 1300cc (1.3 l) mint condition alloy rim, spare key tax paid PS, pw, auto break system, air bag, automatic, etc, CD/DVD fm radio, air con and heater works great, key less entry security system installed good for family and for professionals. 13. Enjoy a station wagon space in a sedan. Back seats are fold able. For more details please contact: 090-1779-5554 (soft bank) for more pictures please visit JCI until July 2010. Asking \$3700 negotiable.

Yokota, Japan - Mitsubishi Legnum for sale, nice interior, slightly beat-up exterior. Has a battery problem, not sure exactly what's wrong, possibly battery, possible alternator, possibly the wiring between them. Needs a jump start unless it has been driven for at least 40 minutes. JCI due November 2009 (I.E. Now). Make me an offer! Please email officer@yahoo.com or call 0804-066-4900

Zama - 2003 Nissan 350Z/Fairlady-Z, Nismo 35th Anniversary Edition, Dark Grey with Auburn leather seats. Excellent condition, no scratches, no rust, clear coated, serviced, engine and tuning parts freshly replaced, new drillslot rotors. Staggered 20inch Petrol wheels, XO Racing dual exhaust, Nav, TV, 6-disc CD, Power everything, Automatic, Brand new JCI, 57,000km, Extremely clean - \$19,800. 090-8517-9568

Autos for Sale 141

Zama - \$800/OBO 94 Nissan Serena JCI august 2011 Camp Zama PCS sale must sell by 27 nov 4 cylinder 88000kilometers a/c two sun roofs AM/FM/CD stereo well maintained alloy wheels new tires seat 7 rear seats folds road tax and recycle fee paid. Asking \$800 obo please email Tino Chavez760@yahoo.com or call 080-3096-4652

Motorcycles 164

Atsugi - 2008 Harley Davidson Dyna Street Bob, denim gray paint with black out engine, all stock with extra screaming eagle mufflers and luggage rack. 1000 Miles Only! Runs great, rides smooth, asking \$12,500 OBO call Spicer (work 264-6138) or (cell 08058695453) never registered in Japan.

Yokota, Japan - 2003 Yamaha dirt bike for sale! 125cc Asking \$1300 Please 090-6701-6316

Yokota, Japan - Selling 1992 Suzuki DR250, nothing is wrong with it I just want to get my bike from the states on the road so this one is going. Mileage is 8800km, has SHO too so you can raise and lower the bike. This is a good bike for someone that just wants to get around Japan or base easy insurance is cheap and since it's a 250 no inspection is required so you just pay for JCI and that's it and the JCI is good until May 2010 asking \$1000 OBO Please email yokotaads123@gmail.com

Baby Items 200

Atsugi - Bassinet \$25, Jumperoo - \$20 Japanese "Winnie the pooh" push tricycle \$45, jogging stroller \$50. Please contact Rebecca at 264-7800

Yokota, Japan - 17 fully wrapped, unopened boxes. Earth's Best Organic baby cereals ordered directly from Earth's Best. Several boxes each of Rice cereal, Oatmeal and Mixed cereal. All cereals and our baby no longer eats cereal. \$2 a box please call 763-354-3536

Bicycles 220

Atsugi - Mountain Bikes for Sale. Retiring must sale. Cannondale Super V 900 \$1800. Specialized FSR \$1500 call Tim at 264-5571.

Books 250

Yokota, Japan - Guinness Book of World Records 2006 with trading a Guinness Book of World Records with trading cards still in book. Excellent condition asking \$5 Please email circle_37@yahoo.com

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Atsugi - 2006 Jeep Liberty, 8,000 miles, JCI and Base inspection good until Oct 2011 asking 13,999. Call Tim @ 264-5571. Retiring must Sale.

Atsugi - '98 Nissan Skyline 25GT (ER34), 90k km; all NEW sports muffler, air filter, shocks, antiroll bar. New oil, filters, AT fluid, brake pads/fluid. JCI/Inspection till Dec2010. Asking 5000USD. Available NOW. Call James at 080-6712-7230.

Yokosuka - 1999 Chevrolet Silverado LT 1500 stepside, V7, 4x4, US Spec, 5.3 Vortec V-8, 44xxx miles, Black, grey leather interior, PL, PW, CC, AC, AT, bed cover, bed liner, remote locks, Budnik aluminum wheels, JCI/inspection until August 2010, fully loaded, like new, must see, \$11500, call Aaron 241-3297 or 08051733408, ehrons@hotmail.com

Yokosuka - 97 Mitsubishi Minica, JCI good until 2011. New Tires, and Belts, Yellow plates, Auto Transmission. \$2000 or best offer. Call 09085128232 or email cettrone@yahoo.com

Autos for Sale 141

Yokota, Japan - 1990 Suzuki Cervo Mode RS. This car is in great condition, it has brand new JCI. Sits on Lower Springs and Aftermarket wheels, Speeded manual has factory Turbo and intercooler. Nice Pioneer CD deck and 6 in speakers with 8 inch sub. This car is basically the cheapest car to maintain here in Japan. Great for a new Airmen or someone who doesn't want to pay much insurance. Two years JCI \$1500 OBO Please email Kyle kylelasco7372@yahoo.com or call 19164734499

Yokota, Japan - 1993 Toyota Mark II Tourer twin turbo low mileage V-6 the car is twin turbo/automatic and runs great! It has roughly 50,000 km, which is very low for a car this year. It has an his exhaust, his fully adjustable coilovers, turbo timer, new tires, Carrozzeria CD player and an extra set of rims and tires. For more information and pictures contact me at 090-6301-4553 or 301-476-4337 the price is negotiable. JCI until July 2010 asking \$2500 OBO Please call 090-6301-4583

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Yokota, Japan - 1994 Celica GT4 Long JCI Turbo, New Clutch, All Wheel Drive, 5 Speed, New Deck with front iPod hookup, New MOMO Steering wheel, Very Fast Drives Great! Pictures now up! JCI 1 year 7 months asking \$3500 OBO Please call Shealyn 09029176935

Yokota, Japan - 1995 Subaru Impreza Wagon WRX Make (EGF) Engine: EJ20 Boxer Turbo Year: 4 Door Very Spacious! Really Quick! Clean! Brand New Tires: 195/50 R16 Wheels: Black Matte Painted "Speed lines" Just Changed Oil New Kenwood CD-player with i-Pod connection option Mods: Black Matte Painted 22B Front Bumper Strut Bar Full Cat-back Exhaust JIC Magic Fully Adjustable Suspension Greddy Intake Greddy Blow-off (not installed) Greddy Boost Controller FCD (Fuel Cut Chip) Greddy Boost Gauge. Asking \$3000 OBO Please email wrightchristian@hotmail.com or call 090-1800-0491

Yokota, Japan - 1998 Toyota Estima JCI 122011 Good condition. Asking \$2700 OBO Please email kandicencian1226@hotmail.com or call 14435246435

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Yokota, Japan - 1995 Toyota Rav4 for sale. New Timing belt, Good paint and good interior with a few scratches and dings Room for 4. Large cargo area Runs well. Heat A/C and full power. JCI until July 2011 asking \$2250 Please email reganvmas@yahoo.com or email (415) 692-8286

Yokota, Japan - 1996 Evolution 4 Almost everything on car is new and was installed and tuned by Essentials. New stuff, Greddy type s suspension, Greddy spec b boost controller, Tomei head gasket, Tomei cams and gears (262 in/out), ORC twin plate clutch, HKS pipe and filter, Greddy intercooler, Mishimoto radiator, manicure plugs, Defly gauges, Greddy timing belt, HKS FC09 VPR0, etc. Some used stuff, Enkei Evo 9 rims, Evo 5 front Brembos, Greddy type R BOV, Sard FPR w/gauge. More stuff but running out of room JCI until march 2010 asking \$9000 firm please email jbel12550@hotmail.com or call Jeremy 090-6307-0323

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Yokosuka - HP Pavilion a1019h desktop with keyboard, mouse, and LCD monitor. \$250. Please call 246-8603 or email sac99634@yahoo.com.

Yokosuka - Japan - Apple TV 160GB for sale. New condition only used briefly. Will include free HDMI 1.3a 3m cable for instant hook up. Also includes apple remote, stream iTunes and digital content from your computer to your TV via wireless N or Ethernet. HDMI/Component High Definition output, YouTube streaming, and more. Lots of online content/programs to customize and enhance as well. Asking price \$199. Please email philipj9989@yahoo.com or call 090-7712-6276

Yokosuka - Japan - Corner Computer Desk, but is great as a shelf tool. Looks brand new. Please call Liz at 801-983-0671 Asking \$60

Yokosuka - Japan - Corsair XMS 2GB PC 3200 400MHz DDR Ram (2x1GB) http://www.digiboy.com/uram/corsair-xms-platinum-series-cmx1024-3200pf Older RAM for sale from Corsair Asking \$55 Call 916-477-3415 or email me gerett_r@hotmail.com

Yokosuka - D-Link USB Wireless Adapter. This is a wireless g connection! Comes with installation CD, instructions, USB extension cord, and the adapter itself. Asking \$10 Please email circle_37@yahoo.com

Yokosuka - Japan - Motherboard, CPU, OS, and 2 drives. Cards ASUS M2N32-SLI Deluxe Wireless Edition Motherboard with -4GB DDR2 Memory -Third Edition CPU cooler -AMD 9850 Phoron X4 Processor (Black Edition) -2ea Nvidia 8800GT Video Cards (in SLI mode 2X 16 slots) -Vista 64-bit Ultimate (Systems builder version) -I connected to the motherboard! I would be willing to provide consultation to help you install the above. This has the makings of a very good gaming rig. Asking \$300 Please email hnovis@hotmail.com Chris

Yokosuka - Japan - Sony Vaio wireless, 20" TV/PC Monitor, the Sony VAIO VGC-V602G V-P-C brings exceptionally high-quality television to your desktop computer. With Sony's original Motion Reality and XBRITE technologies, you'll enjoy the same viewing experience as you do on the Sony television in your living room. And, when you're feeling creative or ready to work, simply bring out the wireless keyboard and mouse to experience uncompromising computing performance. You can also record your favorite TV programs to the hard drive using the Giga Capture personal video recorder (PVR) software or save them for later viewing by burning a DVD via the dual-layer, multi-format DVD±RW drive. Other features include a hyper-threaded 3.4 GHz Pentium 4 processor, spacious 250 GB hard drive, 1 GB of installed RAM, Asking \$800 Please call 080-5098-8728

Yokosuka - Japan - White 13" Mac-Book w/ extras we have kept orig. boxes to all! Everything is really clean. My daughter wants to sell her white color-13" Mac-book Laptop (Note: We don't know why this happens, but as the laptop starts to go into safe mode sometimes, the screen starts to flicker. Other than that, it's fine.) Everything that came w/ the laptop. We are including as well, she is also including w/ this laptop: Targus Chill Mat, Targus wireless mouse, Speck "clear color" Hard shell to protect laptop, Speck "Red" color hard shell to protect laptop, Skin "clear" washable keyboard cover, (all ready put on Mar ware Mouse Track cover Set), Mar ware Screen Cleaner. The computer has been sent back to factory settings! Whole set my daughter is asking \$420 firm. Please call Angela 916-473-4483

Yokosuka, Japan - huge lot of misc. scrapbooking items I put together a large bag filled w/ tons and tons of really cute scrapbooking items (most of them are brand new, they were extras that I never used.) you name it, it's probably here....all sorts of diff. themes, not only are there are brand new, they were your pictures, but, you can also get creative & make your own gifts for the holidays (cards, posters, picture frames, hand-out recipes, projects w/ your kids, etc.) so many themes!! Plus, I am also including a few scrapbooks as well in this set. Everything whole bag \$60 (excellent deal). There are lots of really cute, name brand items in here; including 1 stamp item too must go now. Please call 916-473-4488

Furniture 510

Yokosuka, Japan - 2 night stands and an armoire for sale night stands \$20.00 each - 3 drawers and secret compartment for valuables. Armoire \$40.00 - 3 drawers on the bottom. Top large enough to hold a 42 inch television or can be used as extra storage/closet space. Asking \$20-\$45/OBO Please email jajackson@gmail.at.mil for photos or call 044-478-4630

Yokosuka, Japan - 2 piece 7-drawers Vanity with a mirror. Dimensions: 52.5 inches Wide 72.5 inches High 21.5 inches Deep Asking \$50 please email russell.g.zimmer@aol.com or call 0428-74-7350

Yokosuka, Japan - Awesome Large Solid Oak "Chest Out-Storage Oak "Treasure Chest" 40" W 21" H 20" Deep It is in mint condition and we use it for blanket storage only. Call Liz asking \$225 Thanks for looking! Please email circle_37@yahoo.com

Yokosuka, Japan - Clothes rack - collapsible, chrome We used it to hang dry clothes when off base, but could also be used to expand your closet for more clothes! It's actually pretty long, but can be expanded to 4. Asking \$40 Please email drewbarnett@gmail.com or call 080-3515-2218

Yokosuka, Japan - Couch wanted: a beige/cream/light colored couch in good condition or possibly a couch and loveseat-chair, depending on size. Moving in this week and need one ASAP! Can set up my own pick-up and delivery. Please email justin.barbetti@gmail.com or call 090-9957-8226

Yokosuka, Japan - Four Drawer Filing Cabinet Tower style aluminum filing cabinet. Four legal-sized drawers Closes securely with thumb-locks, but does not have key locks. Off-white/cream color, any other considered. Please email health.er.fife@yahoo.com

Yokosuka, Japan - IKEA Mornum single bed with shelves and storage. Great for children or guests. White color has two very big cabinets and four side shelves total space. Easy to assemble with original instructions bought in August, used for a little while and now don't need it. Like new condition and I can deliver if needed new \$450 asking \$300 delivered \$250 you pick up. Please call anytime 080.6673.1820. Please email justin.barbetti@gmail.com or call 080-6673-1820

Yokosuka, Japan - Mission Style Entertainment Center, in good condition must be to see appreciate. You can fit TV up to 42" 19" inch TV included with this offer. Asking \$100 Please call 214-261-6464

Yokosuka, Japan - Sleeper sofa for sale: We are trying to clear out our back room so we are selling our sleeper sofa. Asking \$800 Please email jaykitaads21@gmail.com

Yokosuka, Japan - Really nice Table w/ 4 chairs & storage we have taken excellent care of our table. We even had a custom made glass top to put on top to protect wood. (Having this glass top over the wood makes it easy to clean, protect your table cloth / placemats if you have kids, get creative by having them make their own artwork, put under glass, & they know that's their seat). This table is round, stands tall, storage at base under 4 chairs have neutral cushions to match any decor. Plus, I am including a set of 4 solid, tan color placemats. Paid over \$800 asking \$400 (you must provide your own delivery). Must go now please call 916-473-4488

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Yokosuka, Japan - small Modern Entertainment Center Sleek one piece entertainment set. Looks brand new! Please call Liz at 801-983-0671 Asking \$50

Yokosuka, Japan - Toddler bed frame Sturdy white toddler bed. White classic plastic head/foot board with metal frame. Great for a boy or girl Asking \$45 Call Liz at 801-983-0671 or email riddler1213@live.com

Yokosuka, Japan - We have (2) 7-Drawer "Chest of Drawers. Dimensions: 45.75 inches Wide 57.75 inches High 19.5 inches Deep Asking \$40 each please email russell.g.zimmer@saic.com or call 0428-74-7350

Zama - For Sale - Four piece leather sectional sofa, brown. White classic plastic head/foot board with metal frame. Great for a boy or girl Asking \$45 Call Liz at 801-983-0671 or email riddler1213@live.com

Furniture/Appliances 511

Yokosuka, Japan - Refrigerator Daewoo refrigerator, only bought 1 month ago. Top freezer, bottom fridge needed a bigger one, and don't have room for both. Paid \$370 one month ago, asking \$300 now. Asking \$300 Please email theresa.rob@hotmail.com or call 704-249-2941

Yokosuka, Japan - Steam Extreme 3000 (Steam Cleaner) What's included with the Steam Extreme 3000: 1 Steam Extreme 3000 base unit 1 Funnel 1 6000 OBO - Will include High Speed Steam Gun and Steam Gun Accessory adapter 1 Detail adapter 1 Jet nozzle attachment 1 Floor cleaning adapter 1 1 metal brush 1 1 nylon brush 1 2 in 1 attachment (window cleaner) 1 1 small cotton cover (for 2 in 1 attachment) 1 1 large cotton cover (for floor attachment) 1 3 extension tubes 1 Professional steam iron with hose and stand (Brand New - Opened box - Never Used) - Costs \$239 plus shipping. Asking \$215 Please email russell.g.zimmer@saic.com

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Home Electronics 570

Yokosuka, Japan - Entertainment Center and big screen TV 700 OBO big screen also including extra 32 in JVC TV for 700.00bo. Please email javayam@yahoo.com or call 601-326-2447

Sasebo - Selling Guitar Hero World Tour Wii full band kit/Rock Band Wii full band kit. Great Christmas presents! I simply got too good for the game and became bored with it. Will sell separately or together. Instruments in great condition. C o n a c s fthecomicbookguru@yahoo.com or call 252-7296. Asking \$200 together OBO separate.

Yokosuka, Japan - 2 Xbox 360 consoles both do not have DVD however one has a bad DVD drive. I have a brand new Blu-ray DVD drive but you need to transfer the key from the old one to the new drive for it to work. The other one just won't accept updates. I called Microsoft and they quoted \$50 to repair but they are both non HDMI so I do not want them. Asking \$25 Please email justin.barbetti@gmail.com or call Robert 08066731820

Yokosuka, Japan - 32 inch Sharp Aquos LCD HDTV - 720p The TV is currently broken. It has a great picture, but loses power to the screen. I took it to the electronics repair shop on base, and they say it'll cost around \$200-\$300 to fix. I already replaced the TV, so I didn't want to pay this much in case I couldn't find a buyer. So I decided to find a buyer first. Give me whatever you can offer and you can take the TV for free repair. Color: piano black, Asking \$50 Please email drewbarnett@gmail.com or call 080-3515-2218

Yokosuka, Japan - 50 inch Sony plasma, HALF PRICE \$750 The TV is in great condition. Definition Professional Display. The display provides a versatile platform including analog and digital inputs for both video and PC devices. Just had it looked over and cleaned inside an out. Was \$1500 NOW \$750. Please call 480-302-4431 Fred

Yokosuka, Japan - DVD - Player (JVC) HDX XV-N6708 (Brand New - Sealed in Box - Never Opened) High Definition Multi-media Interface with Up-Conversion 1080P, Multi-Format Playback: DVD-Video, DVD-R (Video Format), DVD-RW, DVD+R, DVD+RW, CD, SVCD, VCD, CD-R/RW, MP3, WMM, Div X, JPEG, Video & Audio (New) 24/96MHz Video D/A Converter, 24-96/192kHz Audio D/A Converter, Do by Digital & DTS output (PEG) Slide-show with music Book Mark Search Connections: HDMI, Component, S-Video, A/V, Coaxial/Optical Audio Asking \$300 Please email russell.g.zimmer@saic.com or call 0428-74-7350

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Military Items 720

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SCOREBOARD

Sports on AFN

Sunday
AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—College football: Utah at Brigham Young (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 5 p.m.—College football: Grambling vs. Southern at New Orleans (dld).
AFN-Sports, 9 p.m.—College football: Missouri at Kansas (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 9 p.m.—Boxing: Lucian Bute vs. Librado Andrade for Bute's IBF super-middleweight title at Quebec City (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 11 p.m.—College basketball: LaSalle at Villanova (dld).

Monday
AFN-Atlantic, 3 a.m.—NFL: Washington at Philadelphia.
AFN-Sports, 3 a.m.—NFL: Indianapolis at Houston.
AFN-Xtra, 3 a.m.—NFL: Cleveland at Cincinnati.
AFN-Atlantic, 6 a.m.—NFL: Arizona at Tennessee.
AFN-Sports, 6 a.m.—NFL: Chicago at Minnesota.
AFN-Xtra, 6 a.m.—NFL: Jacksonville at San Francisco.
AFN-Atlantic, 9 a.m.—Golf: Mission Hills World Cup, final round (dld; joined in progress).
AFN-Xtra, 9 a.m.—NBA: Houston at Oklahoma City.
AFN-Sports, 10:15 a.m.—NFL: Pittsburgh at Baltimore.
AFN-Xtra, 11:30 a.m.—NBA: New Jersey at L.A. Lakers.
AFN-Xtra, 4 p.m.—Tennis: ATP World Tour Finals, singles championship (dld).
AFN-Sports, 5:30 p.m.—CFL playoffs: 97th Grey Cup, Montreal vs. Saskatchewan at Calgary, Alberta (dld).
AFN-Sports, 11 p.m.—College basketball: Teams TBD (dld).
AFN-Xtra, midnight—NFL: Kansas City at San Diego (dld).
Tuesday
AFN-Sports, 3 a.m.—NFL: Pittsburgh at Baltimore (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 3 a.m.—NHL: Buffalo at Toronto.
AFN-Sports, 10:30 a.m.—NFL: New England at New Orleans.
AFN-Xtra, 12:30 p.m.—NBA: Indiana at Golden State.
AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—NBA: Philadelphia at Dallas (dld).
AFN-Sports, 9 p.m.—NFL: New England at New Orleans (dld).

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Pro football

NFL										
American Conference										
East										
New England	7	3	0	.700	290	164				
Miami	5	5	0	.500	242	244				
N.Y. Jets	4	6	0	.400	213	189				
Buffalo	3	7	0	.300	155	228				
South										
Indianapolis	10	0	0	1.000	269	157				
Jacksonville	6	4	0	.600	199	235				
Houston	5	5	0	.500	232	208				
Tennessee	4	6	0	.400	209	272				
North										
Cincinnati	7	3	0	.700	215	167				
Pittsburgh	6	4	0	.600	231	184				
Baltimore	5	5	0	.500	237	171				
Cleveland	1	9	0	.100	115	263				
West										
San Diego	7	3	0	.700	269	205				
Denver	7	4	0	.636	196	189				
Kansas City	3	7	0	.300	169	239				
Oakland	3	8	0	.273	115	258				
National Conference										
East										
Dallas	W	L	T	PF	PA					
Philadelphia	6	4	0	.600	266	204				
N.Y. Giants	6	5	0	.545	272	261				
Washington	3	7	0	.300	146	178				
South										
New Orleans	10	0	0	1.000	369	204				
Atlanta	5	5	0	.500	252	228				
Carolina	4	6	0	.400	193	239				
Tampa Bay	1	9	0	.100	164	294				
North										
Minnesota	9	1	0	.900	306	193				
Green Bay	7	4	0	.636	295	215				
Chicago	4	6	0	.400	206	225				
Detroit	2	9	0	.182	193	335				
West										
Arizona	7	3	0	.700	250	197				
San Francisco	4	6	0	.400	208	210				
Seattle	3	7	0	.300	196	233				
St. Louis	1	9	0	.100	113	270				

Thursday's games
Green Bay 34, Detroit 12
Dallas 24, Oakland 7
Denver 26, N.Y. Giants 6
Sunday's games
Miami at Buffalo
Carolina at N.Y. Jets
Seattle at St. Louis
Tampa Bay at Atlanta
Indianapolis at Houston
Cleveland at Cincinnati
Washington at Philadelphia
Kansas City at San Diego
Jacksonville at San Francisco
Arizona at Tennessee
Chicago at Minnesota
Pittsburgh at Baltimore
Monday's game
New England at New Orleans

College football

Friday's scores
EAST
West Virginia 19, Pittsburgh 16
SOUTH
Alabama 26, Auburn 21
Rutgers 34, Louisville 14
MIDWEST
Akron 28, E. Michigan 21
Bowling Green 38, Toledo 24
Buffalo 9, Kent St. 6
Cen. Michigan 45, N. Illinois 31
Cincinnati 49, Illinois 36
Ohio 35, Temple 17
SOUTHWEST
Tulsa 33, Memphis 30, OT
FAR WEST
Boise St. 44, Nevada 33
Nebraska 28, Colorado 20
Wyoming 17, Colorado St. 16

Friday's Top 25 Summaries
No. 2 Alabama 26, Auburn 21
Alabama 0 14 6 6-26
Auburn 14 0 7 0-21
First Quarter
Aub—Zachery 67 run (Byrum kick), 11:40.
Aub—E. Smith 1 pass from Todd (Byrum kick), 5:42.
Second Quarter
Ala—Richardson 2 run (Tiffin kick), 13:26.
Ala—Peek 33 pass from McElroy (Tiffin kick), 5:31.
Third Quarter
Aub—D.Adams 72 pass from Todd (Byrum kick), 11:05.
Ala—FG Tiffin 27, 5:32.
Ala—FG Tiffin 31, :24.
Fourth Quarter
Ala—Upchurch 4 pass from McElroy (pass failed), 1:24.
A—87,451.

	Ala	Aub
First downs	17	15
Rushes-yards	35-73	32-151
Passing	178	181
Comp-Att-Int	21-32-0	15-27-1
Return Yards	81	5
Punts-Avg.	5-45.2	8-40.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	4-26	8-68
Time of Possession	33:47	26:13

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Alabama, Richardson 15-51, Ingram 16-30, McElroy 4-(minus 8). **Auburn**, Zachery 1-67, Tate 18-45, McCalebb 5-23, Fannin 1-14, Burns 2-5, Todd 5-(minus 3).
Passing—Alabama, McElroy 21-31-0-218, Ingram 1-1-0-0. **Auburn**, Todd 15-25-1-181, Burns 0-1-0-0, Team 0-1-0-0.
Receiving—Alabama, J.Jones 9-83, Peek 3-53, Richardson 3-31, Ingram 3-21, Upchurch 2-15, Hanks 1-15. **Auburn**, D.Adams 4-138, Fannin 4-20, Tate 4-17, Blake 1-7, E.Smith 1-1, Zachery 1-(minus 2).

No. 5 Cincinnati 49, Illinois 36
Illinois 7 13 3 13-36
Cincinnati 21 14 7 7-49
First Quarter
Ill—Sykes 21 pass from J.Williams (Dimke kick), 7:38.
Cin—Gilyard 90 kickoff return (Rogers kick), 7:25.
Cin—Guidugli 59 pass from T.Pike (Rogers kick), 5:56.
Cin—Woods 6 pass from T.Pike (Rogers kick), 1:50.
Second Quarter
Cin—Guidugli 2 pass from T.Pike (Rogers kick), 14:28.
Ill—Duval 19 pass from J.Williams (Dimke kick), 11:21.
Ill—FG Dimke 39, 6:01.
Cin—Gilyard 11 pass from T.Pike (Rogers kick), 4:04.
Ill—FG Dimke 48, :00.
Third Quarter
Cin—Binns 10 pass from T.Pike (Rogers kick), 4:43.
Ill—FG Dimke 30, 1:38.
Fourth Quarter
Ill—J.Williams 2 run (Dimke kick), 10:03.
Cin—Gilyard 21 pass from T.Pike (Rogers kick), 4:19.
Ill—Sykes 7 pass from J.Williams (pass failed), 2:54.
A—35,106.

	Ill	Cin
First downs	24	17
Rushes-yards	45-169	15-21
Passing	307	399
Comp-Att-Int	22-35-0	32-46-0
Return Yards	0	27
Punts-Avg.	7-41.4	4-42.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	8-69	5-35
Time of Possession	36:19	23:41

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Illinois, J.Williams 11-67, Ford 8-27, Green 8-25, Duffrene 7-23, LeShoure 9-14, McGee 1-8, Benn 1-5. **Cincinnati**, Goebel 5-23, Collaros 2-12, T.Pike 1-3, Pead 4-(minus 5), Team 3-(minus 12).
Passing—Illinois, J.Williams 21-34-0-282, McGee 1-1-0-25. **Cincinnati**, T.Pike 32-46-0-399.
Receiving—Illinois, Duval 6-94, Benn 3-59, Sykes 3-32, LeShoure 3-17, Fayson 2-67, Ford 1-17, McGee 1-9, Cumberland 1-7, Green 1-5, Hoomanawanui 1-0. **Cincinnati**, Guidugli 7-149, Gilyard 7-102, Binns 7-62, Woods 7-53, Alli 1-11, Goebel 1-11, Pead 1-6, D.Williams 1-5.

No. 6 Boise St. 44, Nevada 33
Nevada 0 16 10 7-33
Boise St. 20 7 7 10-44
First Quarter
Boi—Young 95 kickoff return (Brotzman kick), 14:45.
Boi—D.Paul 18 pass from Ke.Moore (run failed), 9:03.
Boi—D.Paul 3 pass from Ke.Moore (Brotzman kick), 4:20.
Second Quarter
Nev—FG Drake 26, 13:36.
Boi—D.Paul 1 pass from Ke.Moore (Brotzman kick), 9:59.
Nev—V.Green 6 pass from Kaepernick (kick failed), 3:38.
Nev—Wimberly 3 pass from Kaepernick (Drake kick), :03.
Third Quarter
Nev—FG Drake 37, 9:38.
Boi—Gallarda 21 pass from Ke.Moore (Brotzman kick), 2:40.
Nev—Taufa 71 run (Drake kick), 2:23.
Fourth Quarter
Boi—FG Brotzman 27, 10:55.
Boi—Kl.Moore 6 pass from Ke.Moore (Brotzman kick), 5:08.
Nev—Session 23 pass from Kaepernick (Drake kick), 1:16.
A—32,642.

	Nev	Boi
First downs	20	22
Rushes-yards	44-242	33-165
Passing	141	262
Comp-Att-Int	12-22-0	17-34-0
Return Yards	2	5
Punts-Avg.	6-40.2	4-35.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	4-29	3-40
Time of Possession	31:39	28:21

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Nevada, Taufa 24-160, Wellington 3-45, Kaepernick 16-31, Lippincott 1-6. **Boise St.**, Martin 16-128, Avery 14-37, Ke.Moore 1-2, Team 2-(minus 2).
Passing—Nevada, Kaepernick 12-22-0-141. **Boise St.**, Ke.Moore 17-33-0-262, C.Potter 0-1-0-0.
Receiving—Nevada, Wimberly 4-58, Session 3-47, V.Green 2-11, Taufa 2-(minus 6), Wellington 1-31. **Boise St.**, Young 4-69, Kl.Moore 3-69, D.Paul 3-22, Martin 2-25, Avery 1-35, Gallarda 1-21, Efaw 1-12, Koch 1-7, Burroughs 1-2.

W. Virginia 19, No. 8 Pitt 16
West Virginia 0 3 3 10-16
Pittsburgh 0 3 10 6-19
First Quarter
Pitt—FG Hutchins 37, 3:21.
WVU—FG Bitancurt 20, :05.
Second Quarter
Pitt—FG Hutchins 37, 3:21.
WVU—FG Bitancurt 20, :05.
Third Quarter
Pitt—FG Hutchins 30, 4:52.
WVU—Devine 88 run (Bitancurt kick), 4:34.
Fourth Quarter
WVU—FG Bitancurt 39, 10:05.
Pitt—FG Hutchins 36, 7:37.
Pitt—Baldwin 50 pass from Stull (Hutchins kick), 2:54.
WVU—FG Bitancurt 43, :00.
A—56,123.

	Pitt	WVU
First downs	15	18
Rushes-yards	29-146	43-205
Passing	179	164
Comp-Att-Int	16-30-2	19-32-0
Return Yards	9	12
Punts-Avg.	3-45.3	5-43.2
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-20	6-46
Time of Possession	29:47	30:13

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Pitt, Lewis 26-155, Graham 1-(minus 1), Stull 2-(minus 8). **W. Virginia**, Devine 17-134, R.Clarke 10-29, Brown 13-21, Starks 2-13, Sanders 1-8.
Passing—Pitt, Stull 16-30-2-179. **W. Virginia**, Brown 19-31-0-164, Team 0-1-0-0.
Receiving—Pitt, Baldwin 8-127, Shanahan 2-17, Lewis 2-14, Dickerson 2-12, McGee 1-6, Hynoski 1-3. **W. Virginia**, Arnett 7-71, Sanders 3-15, Austin 3-12, Lyons 2-44, Starks 2-16, Urban 1-4, Devine 1-2.

College basketball

Friday's men's scores
EAST
Brown 69, Sciences, Pa. 48
Drexel 74, Vermont 61
St. Bonaventure 67, SE Missouri 44
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Richmond 63, Mississippi St. 62
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Iowa St. 65, Saint Louis 54
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Missouri 66, Old Dominion 61
Missouri Western 82, Park 72
N. Colorado 70, North Dakota 63
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S. Indiana 72, Michigan Tech 55
St. Francis, Ind. 92, WVU Tech 79
Utah 60, Illinois 58
Wis.-Green Bay 71, N. Dakota St. 62

SOUTHWEST
Oklahoma St. 68, Bradley 57
San Diego 72, Houston 65
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BYU 87, Weber St. 70
E. Oregon 68, Montana St.-Northern 50
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Duke 74, Marquette 43
East Carolina 95, Bethune-Cookman 57
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Florida St. 82, Auburn 67
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Louisville 81, N. Iowa 53
Maryland 79, Howard 51
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Rutgers 62, Mississippi St. 54
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E. Illinois 68, IPFW 64
Iowa St. 78, Penn St. 38
Louisiana-Monroe 76, Youngstown St. 67
Michigan 85, Stephen F.Austin 61
N. Dakota St. 65, Ball St. 57
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Nebraska 62, Ark.-Little Rock 45
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Creighton 63, UC Davis 61, OT
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Chattanooga 76, Kennesaw St. 61
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First Round
N. Arizona 71, Montana 62
Oregon St. 76, Belmont 52
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Nevada 64, Columbia 47
West Virginia 69, Iowa 66
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First Round
Colorado 62, Georgia Southern 50
Harvard 60, New Orleans 57
Pitt Thanksgiving Tournament
First Round
Marshall 83, Miami (Ohio) 76
Pittsburgh 63, Appalachian St. 56
SMU Tournament
First Round
Boston College 83, Fresno St. 75
SMU 84, Hampton 7
UW Thanksgiving Tournament
First Round
Massachusetts 71, Rice 57
Miami 83, Long Beach St. 66
Vanderbilt Thanksgiving Tournament
First Round
N.C. State 76, Northwestern St. 67
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NBA roundup

Nets fall flat, close in on futility record

The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — With a matchup against the world champion Los Angeles Lakers on deck, it seemed as if the only way the New Jersey Nets could avoid matching an NBA record for futility to start a season was by winning in Sacramento.

So the Nets promptly came out and fell behind by 22 points in the first half on the way to their 16th straight loss to open the season, a 109-96 defeat to the Kings that left New Jersey one loss shy of tying the worst record ever.

"We cheated the game in the first half," coach Lawrence Frank said. "I take full responsibility that we can't play 48 minutes and have the intent from beginning to end, especially in the situation that we're in."

After losing to the team that had the worst record in the NBA a season ago, the Nets need to beat the Lakers on Sunday at Los Angeles to avoid matching the record for futility set by the expansion Miami Heat (1988-89) and matched by the Los Angeles Clippers (1999). The potential record-setter would come at home against Dallas on Wednesday.

"It doesn't matter who we have from here on out," guard Devin Harris said. "We have to come out with the same type of intensity we had in the second half no matter if it's the Lakers or the Knicks. We have to treat everybody the same and come out with a decent effort. Yeah they're the defending champions, but they can be beat. If we give the effort we need to, we'll keep ourselves in the game."

The Nets failed to do that in the first half against Sacramento, falling behind by 22 points in the second quarter. The Kings shot 59 percent in the first half, getting to the basket with ease and out-rebounding New Jersey 26-8 at one point in the second quarter.

Rookie Tyreke Evans had 21 points and eight rebounds, and Beno Udrih also scored 21 for Sacramento, which never trailed on its way to winning back-to-back games following a four-game losing streak.

Brook Lopez had 24 points and 11 rebounds, and Harris scored 25 points on 6-of-22 shooting for the Nets.

Nuggets 128, Knicks 125: Carmelo Anthony scored a career-high 50 points in Denver's 17th straight regular-season home victory. Al Harrington had 41 points, one shy of his career high, as the Knicks lost their fourth straight.

Anthony scored 13 points in the third quarter, helping the Nuggets take a 92-87 lead into the final period.

Wizards 94, Heat 84: At Miami, Antawn Jamison scored 24 points and Nick Young 22 as Washington beat Miami for the first time in seven tries.

Bobcats 94, Cavaliers 87: Gerald Wallace had 31 points and 14 rebounds while outplaying

LeBron James, and visiting Cleveland looked disjointed in Shaquille O'Neal's return from injury.

Hawks 100, 76ers 86: Jamal Crawford scored 11 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter and Mike Bibby added 21 as visiting Atlanta snapped a two-game losing streak.

Celtics 116, Raptors 103: At Boston, Ray Allen scored 20 points and Paul Pierce and Kendrick Perkins 18 apiece as Boston went three in a row for the first time since opening the season with six straight victories. Rasheed Wallace scored 15 points as a reserve, hitting three of his first four three-point attempts.

Clippers 104, Pistons 96: Chris Kaman scored 26 points and Baron Davis 25 to help Los Angeles to a road victory and end a 13-game losing streak against the Pistons.

Al Thornton scored 12 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter, including consecutive baskets midway through the period to give the Clippers the lead for good.

Mavericks 113, Pacers 92: Dirk Nowitzki scored 31 points in Dallas' fifth straight road victory.

Indiana guard Mike Dunleavy returned from a right knee injury and scored 13 in his season debut.

Spurs 92, Rockets 84: Tim Duncan had 21 points and 12 rebounds, Antonio McDyess had 15 points and 14 rebounds and Tony Parker had 19 points and seven assists as San Antonio won its first road game in five tries.

Luis Scola had 18 points and 12 rebounds for Houston, which shot 36 percent from the field (33-of-92) and had a season-low point total.

Suns 120, Timberwolves 95: Jason Richardson scored 22 points to help Phoenix send host Minnesota to its 15th straight loss. Steve Nash had nine points and 11 assists and Grant Hill had 17 points and five assists for the Suns, whose 13-3 record is best in the NBA.

Ramon Sessions had 23 points and Jonny Flynn had 18 points and six assists for the Timberwolves, who are one loss away from tying the franchise record for consecutive defeats.

Thunder 108, Bucks 90: Kevin Durant had 33 points and 12 rebounds and Russell Westbrook outplayed rookie Brandon Jennings for host Oklahoma City. Westbrook scored nine of his 20 points during a 17-0 run over the first 6½ minutes of the second half. He also helped hold Jennings to 3-of-11 shooting and 12 points, 11.4 below his average.

Before a capacity crowd, the Thunder began a season-high, five-game homestand with their sixth victory in nine games.

Carlos Delfino and Hakim Warrick each had 15 for Milwaukee.

Grizzlies 106, Trail Blazers 96: Zach Randolph scored 21 points and Marc Gasol and O.J. Mayo 19 each as visiting Memphis stood a second-half rally.

NBA scoreboard

Eastern Conference

	Atlantic Division			
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	12	4	.750	—
Toronto	7	10	.412	5½
Philadelphia	5	11	.313	7
New York	3	13	.188	9
New Jersey	0	16	.000	12

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	12	4	.750	—
Orlando	4	12	.250	—
Miami	9	6	.600	2½
Charlotte	6	9	.400	5½
Washington	5	9	.357	6

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	11	5	.688	—
Milwaukee	8	6	.571	2
Chicago	6	8	.429	4
Indiana	6	8	.429	4
Detroit	5	11	.313	6

Western Conference

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	12	4	.750	—
San Antonio	8	6	.571	3
Houston	8	8	.500	4
New Orleans	7	9	.438	5
Memphis	6	10	.375	6

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	12	4	.750	—
Portland	12	6	.667	1
Oklahoma City	9	7	.563	3
Utah	8	7	.533	3½
Minnesota	1	15	.063	11

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	13	3	.813	—
L.A. Lakers	11	3	.786	1
Sacramento	7	8	.467	5½
L.A. Clippers	7	10	.412	6½
Golden State	5	9	.357	7

Friday's games

Washington 94, Miami 84	
Charlotte 94, Cleveland 87	
Atlanta 100, Philadelphia 86	
Boston 116, Toronto 103	
Dallas 113, Indiana 92	
L.A. Clippers 104, Detroit 96	
San Antonio 92, Houston 84	
Denver 128, New York 125	
Oklahoma City 108, Milwaukee 90	
Phoenix 120, Minnesota 95	
Sacramento 109, New Jersey 96	
Memphis 106, Portland 96	

Saturday's games

Charlotte at Washington	
Dallas at Cleveland	
Portland at Utah	
Orlando at Milwaukee	
L.A. Lakers at Golden State	

Sunday's games

Phoenix at Toronto	
Atlanta at Detroit	
Memphis at L.A. Clippers	
Orlando at New York	
Boston at Miami	
Philadelphia at San Antonio	
Houston at Oklahoma City	
Minnesota at Denver	
New Orleans at Sacramento	
New Jersey at L.A. Lakers	

Monday's games

Chicago at Milwaukee	
Philadelphia at Dallas	
Memphis at Utah	
Indiana at Golden State	

Friday

Hawks 100, 76ers 86

ATLANTA — M. Williams 1-4 2-2 4, Jos. Smith 9-18 2-5 20, Horford 5-10 5-6 15, Bibby 8-14 0-0 21, Johnson 3-8 2-2 9, J. Smith 1-1 0-0 2, Crawford 9-14 3-3 24, Evans 0-1 2-1, Teague 2-3 0-0 4, Pachulia 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-74 15-20 100.

PHILADELPHIA — Young 9-13 1-2 22, Ja. Smith 7-13 0-0 14, Dalembert 2-4 0-1 4, Holiday 1-8 0-0 2, Igoudala 7-18 1-2 16, Kapono 3-6 0-0 8, Green 3-8 0-0 7, Carney 3-8 6-13. Totals 35-78 11-86.

Atlanta 26 20 29 25—100
Philadelphia 23 18 25 20—86
 Three-Point Goals—Atlanta 9-18 (Bibby 5-7, Crawford 3-6, Johnson 1-2, Evans 0-1, M. Williams 0-1, Teague 0-1), Philadelphia 8-18 (Young 3-3, Kapono 2-2, Green 1-2, Carney 1-3, Igoudala 1-4, Holiday 0-1, Ja. Smith 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 51 (M. Williams 9), Philadelphia 36 (Igoudala 9). Assists—Atlanta 17 (Bibby, Crawford 5), Philadelphia 17 (Igoudala 8). Total Fouls—Atlanta 17, Philadelphia 16. Technicals—Philadelphia defensive three second. A—12,984 (20,318).

Wizards 94, Heat 84

WASHINGTON — Butler 4-9 1-2 9, Jamison 11-20 0-2 24, Haywood 2-5 2-4 6, Arenas 4-7 1-1 9, Young 10-23 2-4 22, McGee 1-1 0-0 2, Blatche 4-9 0-0 8, Boykins 4-6 2-2 10, Foye 2-6 0-0 4. Totals 42-86 8-15-94.

Miami — Jones 2-7 0-1 6, Beasley 6-13 2-14, O'Neal 9-12 1-2 19, Chalmers 8-15 2-20, Wade 6-19 5-7 18, Haslem 0-4 0-0 0, Anthony 0-1 0-0 0, Cook 3-6 0-0 7, Arroyo 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 34-82 10-14-84.

Washington 26 25 16 27—94
Miami 24 18 22 20—84
 Three-Point Goals—Washington 2-14 (Jamison 2-4, Boykins 0-1, Butler 0-1, Blatche 0-1, Foye 0-2, Arenas 0-2, Young 0-3), Miami 6-26 (Jones 2-7, Chalmers 2-8, Cook 1-3, Wade 1-6, Beasley 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Washington 27 (Jamison 13), Miami 46 (O'Neal 13). Assists—Washington 23 (Boykins 9), Miami 17 (Wade 6). Total Fouls—Washington 19, Miami 15. Technicals—Washington defensive three second. A—17,684 (19,600).

Bobcats 94, Cavaliers 87

CLEVELAND — James 10-19 3-4 25, Hickson 1-2 3-4 5, O'Neal 5-11 1-3 11, M. Williams 10-20 0-1 22, Parker 0-4 0-0 0, Varejao 1-4 0-1 2, Ilgauskas 2-4 1-1 5, Moon 3-7 0-0 8, Gibson 3-6 1-3 7, West 0-0 0-0 0, Green 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 36-79 9-17 87.

CHARLOTTE (94)
 Wallace 9-14 10-14 31, Diaw 1-4 0-0 2, Chandler 1-3 0-0 2, Felton 4-11 0-0 8, S. Jackson 7-18 2-2 17, Mohammed 5-7 3-6 13, Brown 1-5 2-6 4, Augustin 3-5 0-0 7, Henderson 0-1 0-0 0, Murray 4-6 1-2 10. Totals 35-74 18-30 94.

Cleveland 19 24 28 16—87
Charlotte 26 32 24 12—94
 Three-Point Goals—Cleveland 6-28 (Moon 2-6, James 2-7, M. Williams 2-8, Varejao 0-1, Green 0-1, Gibson 0-2, Parker 0-3), Charlotte 6-14 (Wallace 3-7, Murray 1-1, Augustin 1-1, S. Jackson 1-4, Felton 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Cleveland 56 (Varejao 11), Charlotte 46 (Wallace 14). Assists—Cleveland 14 (M. Williams 19), Charlotte 19 (Wallace 7). Total Fouls—Cleveland 25, Charlotte 18. Technicals—Cleveland defensive three second 2. A—19,168 (19,077).

Thunder 108, Bucks 90

MILWAUKEE — Delfino 5-10 2-2 15, Ilyasova 5-13 2-2 13, Gadzuric 1-5 0-0 2, Jennings 3-11 4-6 12, Redd 3-9 2-2 8, Warrick 5-10 5-5 15, Ridnour 4-9 4-4 13, K. Thomas 2-5 0-0 4, Bell 1-5 0-0 3, Meeks 1-3 0-0 2, Ukic 1-2 1-1 3, Elson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-82 20-22 90.

OKLAHOMA CITY — Durant 10-21 12-14 33, Green 6-12 5-7 17, B. Davis 2-5 0-0 4, Westbrook 4-15 7-8 20, Sefolosha 5-7 2-3 13, Ibaka 1-6 0-1 2, Harden 6-7 0-2 15, Wilks 1-2 0-0 2, White 1-5 0-0 2. Totals 38-80 26-35 108.

Milwaukee 26 24 13 27—90
Oklahoma City 31 20 27 30—108
 Three-Point Goals—Milwaukee 8-20 (Delfino 3-4, Jennings 2-3, Ridnour 1-2, Bell 1-3, Ilyasova 1-5, Meeks 0-1, Ukic 0-1, Redd 0-1), Oklahoma City 6-14 (Harden 3-3, Sefolosha 1-2, Durant 1-3, Westbrook 1-3, Green 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 47 (Ilyasova 12), Oklahoma City 57 (Durant 12). Assists—Milwaukee 15 (Ridnour 4), Oklahoma City 19 (Westbrook 7). Total Fouls—Milwaukee 21, Oklahoma City 19. Technicals—Warrick. A—18,203 (18,203).

Nuggets 128, Knicks 125

NEW YORK — Chandler 5-12 0-0 12, Gallinari 2-10 0-0 4, Lee 8-11 7-8 23, Duhon 4-10 1-1 12, Hughes 6-13 1-2 16, Harrington 14-24 13-41, Jeffries 2-3 2-5 6, Robinson 4-9 2-2 11. Totals 45-92 22-31 125.

DENVER — Anthony 17-28 15-50, Martin 4-11 0-0 8, Nene 4-7 1-2 9, Billups 9-17 10-14 32, Afflalo 2-4 0-0 5, Andersen 2-3 1-1 5, Smith 6-11 1-2 17, Lawson 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 45-84 28-35 128.

New York 30 30 27 38—125
Denver 26 35 31 36—128
 Three-Point Goals—New York 13-31 (Harrington 4-8, Hughes 3-5, Duhon 2-8, Chandler 2-3, Robinson 1-3, Gallinari 0-4), Denver 10-19 (Smith 4-6, Billups 4-8, Afflalo 1-1, Anthony 1-4). Fouled Out—Martin. Rebounds—New York 48 (Lee, Harrington 10), Denver 54 (Nene, Martin 11). Assists—New York 29 (Hughes 9), Denver 30 (Billups 8). Total Fouls—New York 25, Denver 25. Technicals—Harrington. New York defensive three second, Denver defensive three second. A—19,155 (19,155).

Spurs 92, Rockets 84

SAN ANTONIO — Jefferson 1-5 7-7 9, Duncan 8-17 5-6 21, McDyess 6-11 3-4 15, 1-1 1-2, 8-16 1-4 17, Lowry 2-6 2-6 10, Parker 1-2 0-0 2, Finley 2-3 0-0 4, Blair 3-4 1-1 7, Mason 2-4 0-0 6, Hill 1-4 5-6 7, Hairston 0-0 0-0 0, Ratliff 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 32-71 26-34 92.

HOUSTON — Battier 0-2 0-0 0, Scola 9-14 0-0 18, Hayes 0-8 0-0 0, Brooks 5-16 1-1 12, 8-16 1-4 17, Lowry 2-6 2-6 10, Landry 5-13 3-13, Budinger 4-8 0-0 9, Andersen 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 33-92 10-14-84.

San Antonio 18 26 24 29—92
Houston 23 23 12 26—84
 Three-Point Goals—San Antonio 2-5 (Mason 2-2, Bonner 0-1, Bogans 0-2), Houston 8-18 (Ariza 4-6, Lowry 1-2, Andersen 1-2, Budinger 1-3, Brooks 1-4, Battier 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 58 (McDyess 14), Houston 52 (Scola 12). Assists—San Antonio 14 (Parker 7), Houston 18 (Ariza 5). Total Fouls—San Antonio 19, Houston 27. A—18,164 (18,043).

Clippers 104, Pistons 96

L.A. CLIPPERS — Thornton 8-12 3-5 19, Camby 3-7 1-1 7, Kaman 11-13 4-6 26, B. Davis 6-9 11-11 25, Butler 3-7 2-2 8, E. Gordon 4-11 6-9 14, Smith 2-1 1-5, Novak 0-0 0-0 0, Telfair 0-2 0-0 0, Collins 0-0 0-0 0, R. Davis 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-63 28-35 104.

DETROIT — Jerebko 8-11 2-3 22, Villanueva 15-0 0-11, Wallace 2-4 1-1 5, Stuckey 10-24 1-2 21, Daye 4-11 4-6 13, Maxiell 2-4 2-6, Bynum 4-7 5-6 14, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Summers 0-1 0-0 0, Atkins 1-4 1-2 4. Totals 36-91 16-22 96.

L.A. Clippers 27 20 27 30—104
Detroit 27 27 21 21—96
 Three-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 2-5 (B. Davis 2-3, Butler 0-2, E. Gordon 0-5), Detroit 8-19 (Jerebko 4-4, Atkins 1-2, Bynum 1-2, Daye 1-2, Villanueva 1-6, Stuckey 0-1). Fouled Out—Jerebko, Stuckey. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 40 (Camby 9), Detroit 54 (Wallace 16). Assists—L.A. Clippers 26 (B. Davis 10), Detroit 21 (Bynum 9). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 19, Detroit 28. Technicals—B. Davis. A—18,954 (22,076).

Mavericks 113, Pacers 92

DALLAS — Marion 6-15 1-2 13, Nowitzki 10-14 11-13 31, Gooden 2-6 0-0 4, Kidd 4-7 0-0 11, Beaubois 2-4 0-0 6, Terry 7-14 2-2 17, Thomas 2-4 0-0 5, Barea 3-6 0-0 8, Humphries 10-10 6-9 12, Singleton 2-9 11-2 6, Carroll 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 41-92 22-28 113.

INDIANA (92)
 Granger 5-16 8-11 20, Murphy 4-7 0-1 10, Hibbert 3-7 0-0 6, Ford 3-5 3-4 9, Rush 2-8 0-0 4, Foster 2-3 0-0 4, D. Jones 2-11 2-2 6, Hansbrough 2-2 0-2 4, Watson 2-5 2-4 6, Dunleavy 4-7 4-4 13, S. Jones 2-3 0-0 4, Head 2-2 0-5. Totals 33-76 19-28 92.

Dallas 35 31 29 18—113
Indiana 26 28 15 23—92
 Three-Point Goals—Dallas 9-21 (Kidd 3-4, Barea 2-3, Beaubois 2-3, Thomas 1-1, Terry 1-4, Singleton 0-2, Marion 0-2, Carroll 0-2), Indiana 7-22 (Murphy 2-2, Granger 2-9, Dunleavy 1-1, Head 1-1, Watson 1-4, D. Jones 0-1, Ford 0-1, Rush 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 68 (Humphries 11), Indiana 41 (Foster 6). Assists—Dallas 20 (Kidd, Barea 4), Indiana 20 (Ford 5). Total Fouls—Dallas 22, Indiana 23. A—16,613 (18,165).

Celtics 116, Raptors 103

TORONTO — Turkoglu 8-11 0-2 20, Bosh 9-13 2-2 20, Bargnani 2-6 2-2 7, Calderon 3-7 3-4 9, DeRozan 4-8 0-0 9, Wright 1-3 0-0 2, Nesterovici 5-7 0-0 10, Jack 5-8 8-8 10, Johnson 1-3 1-2 3, Weems 0-0 0-0 0, Belinelli 1-3 2-3 5, Mensah-Bonsu 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39-80 18-23 103.

Boston — Pierce 12-12 4-4 18, Garnett 6-6 0-0 12, Perkins 8-8 2-4 18, Rondo 5-10 2-2 12, R. Allen 8-15 1-1 20, Daniels 4-8 0-0 8, Wallace 6-11 0-0 15, Williams 2-3 2-2 6, House 1-3 0-0 3, Giddens 1-1 2-2 4, Hudson 0-0 0-0 0, Scalabrino 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 48-77 13-23 116.

Toronto 27 28 17 31—103
Boston 33 21 33 29—116
 Three-Point Goals—Toronto 7-14 (Turkoglu 4-5, DeRozan 1-1, Bargnani 1-2, Belinelli 1-3, Jack 0-1, Wright 0-1, Calderon 0-1), Boston 7-17 (R. Allen 3-4, Wallace 3-6, House 1-3, Rondo 0-1, Pierce 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 36 (Bosh 13), Boston 31 (Garnett 7). Assists—Toronto 15 (Jack 5), Boston 33 (Rondo 11). Total Fouls—Toronto 19, Boston 20. Technicals—Pierce, Boston Coach Rivers, Wallace. A—18,624 (18,624).

Kings 109, Nets 96

NEW JERSEY — Hassell 4-10 0-0 8, Boone 5-10 0-0 10, Lopez 9-19 6-6 24, Harris 6-22 13-17 25, Douglas-Roberts 9-19 2-2 21, S. Williams 0-1 0-0 0, Alston 1-5 0-0 2, T. Williams 2-6 1-2 6, Lee 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 36-94 22-27 96.

SACRAMENTO — Nocioni 1-5 2-2 5, Thompson 3-6 4-6 10, Hawes 6-11 3

NHL roundup

Heatley, Sharks nip Oilers in SO

The Associated Press

EDMONTON, Alberta — Patrick Marleau scored three goals, and Joe Pavelski had the lone shootout goal in the NHL-leading San Jose Sharks' 5-4 victory over the Edmonton Oilers on Friday night.

Marleau completed the hat trick with a short-handed goal with 1:26 left in regulation. He also assisted on Ryane Clowe's goal.

The Sharks have won three of their last four to improve to 17-6-4. They rebounded from a 7-2 home loss to Chicago on Wednesday night.

Ryan Potulny scored twice in regulation for Edmonton, and Dustin Penner and Gilbert Brule added goals. Penner had a chance to tie it in the third round of the shootout, but Evgeni Nabokov stopped his backhand attempt to end the game.

San Jose forward Dany Heatley played his first game in Edmonton since spurning a trade to the Oilers last summer that would have seen him dealt from Ottawa for Penner, Andrew Coglian and Ladislav Smid. Booped throughout the contest, Heatley had an assist on Marleau's first-period goal.

Before the game, the Oilers learned that right wing Ales Hemsky will miss the rest of the season because of a left shoulder injury that will require surgery to repair.

"It's frustrating because it's a big year for a lot of players," Hemsky said. "Especially considering it's an Olympic year, but there's nothing I can do. It's no fun playing with an injury like that. I tried, but it just didn't work out."

Already fighting shoulder problems, Hemsky was hurt again Wednesday night in a loss to Los Angeles when he was hit from behind by Michal Handzus.

Devils 2, Bruins 1 (SO): At Boston, Martin Brodeur broke the record for the most career minutes played in the NHL.

Jamie Langenbrunner and Zach Parise scored the shootout goals for New Jersey, which moved within a point of the Eastern Conference lead.

Goaltender Brodeur, who made 32 saves, surpassed Hall of Famer Patrick Roy for the most minutes played. The 37-year-old Brodeur has played 60,280. Roy played 60,235.

Islanders 3, Penguins 2: John Tavares scored off a rebound with six minutes left to give host New York a comeback victory over Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh.

Flames 3, Red Wings 0: At Detroit, Miika Kiprusoff made 40 saves for his second shutout of the season and 32nd overall, leading Calgary over slumping Detroit.

Detroit hasn't scored in 153 minutes. The Red Wings have been shut out in consecutive games for the first time since De-



CARLOS OSORIO/AP

Calgary Flames goalie Mikka Kiprusoff (34) deflects a shot during the third period against the Detroit Red Wings in Detroit on Friday.

ember 2001 and the first time at home since 1977.

Coyotes 5, Stars 2: Lauri Korpikoski scored his first two goals of the season to help host Phoenix.

Ducks 3, Blackhawks 0: Visiting Chicago's bid to tie a franchise-record winning streak was ended by Anaheim.

Teemu Selanne scored twice on the power play for the Ducks, who stopped the Blackhawks' streak at eight.

Jean-Sebastien Giguere had his first shutout of the season and 32nd of his career, making 28 saves and continually frustrating a Chicago team that had outscored its opponents 34-13 during the streak.

Sabres 4, Flyers 2: At Philadelphia, Buffalo won its first game in five.

Lightning 5, Rangers 1: Host Tampa Bay spoiled New York coach John Tortorella's first game against his old team New York.

Tortorella, fired by the Lightning following the 2007-08 season, spent seven seasons with Tampa Bay, leading them to the 2004 Stanley Cup title.

Blues 3, Predators 1: Host Nashville's seven-game winning streak was ended by St. Louis.

Wild 5, Avalanche 3: At St. Paul, Minnesota, Chuck Kobasew notched his second career hat trick.

Maple Leafs 6, Panthers 4: Niklas Hagman and Phil Kessel each scored two goals for visiting Toronto.

Alexei Ponikarovsky had a goal and an assist for the Maple Leafs, while Matt Stajan added an empty-netter with 4 seconds remaining.

Thrashers 6, Hurricanes 4: Atlanta rattled off five goals in the third period to overwhelm host Carolina.



The Chicago Blackhawks' Colin Fraser, left, and Ben Eager scramble on the ice for the puck against the Anaheim Ducks during the third period Friday in Anaheim, Calif. The Ducks won 3-0.

FRANCIS SPECKER/AP

NHL scoreboard

Eastern Conference

	Atlantic Division						
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	26	17	9	0	34	79	72
New Jersey	23	16	6	1	33	63	50
Philadelphia	23	13	9	1	27	77	64
N.Y. Rangers	25	13	11	1	27	75	71
N.Y. Islanders	26	10	9	7	27	71	78
	Northeast Division						
Ottawa	23	13	7	3	29	69	66
Boston	25	12	8	5	29	60	61
Buffalo	7	12	7	2	28	58	58
Montreal	25	12	12	1	25	63	72
Toronto	24	6	11	7	19	67	79

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Southeast Division							
Washington	25	14	5	6	34	87	73
Atlanta	22	12	7	3	27	79	65
Tampa Bay	23	10	6	7	27	64	68
Florida	24	10	10	4	24	67	79
Carolina	25	5	15	5	15	59	92

Western Conference								
		Central Division						
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Chicago	24	16	6	2	34	77	54	
Nashville	24	14	9	1	29	58	63	
Columbus	24	12	9	3	27	73	86	
Detroit	24	11	9	4	26	68	69	

Western Conference

Central Division								
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Chicago	24	16	6	2	34	77	54	
Nashville	24	14	9	1	29	58	63	
Columbus	24	12	9	3	27	73	86	
Detroit	24	11	9	4	26	68	69	
St. Louis	23	10	9	4	24	57	58	

Northwest Division							
Calgary	24	15	6	3	33	74	63
Colorado	26	14	8	4	32	80	80
Vancouver	24	13	11	0	26	71	61
Edmonton	26	10	12	4	24	77	83
Minnesota	24	9	12	3	21	60	73

Pacific Division							
San Jose	27	17	6	4	38	92	73
Los Angeles	26	14	10	2	30	77	80
Phoenix	26	14	11	1	29	65	63
Dallas	25	11	7	7	29	75	74
Anaheim	24	10	11	3	23	69	77

Note: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

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Friday's games
New Jersey 2, Boston 1, SO
Buffalo 4, Philadelphia 2
Minnesota 5, Colorado 3
N.Y. Islanders 3, Pittsburgh 2
Anaheim 3, Chicago 0
Atlanta 6, Carolina 4
Calgary 3, Detroit 0
Tampa Bay 5, N.Y. Rangers 1
Toronto 6, Florida 4
St. Louis 3, Nashville 1
Phoenix 5, Dallas 2
San Jose 5, Edmonton 4, SO

Saturday's games
N.Y. Islanders at New Jersey
Ottawa at Buffalo
Washington at Montreal
Philadelphia at Atlanta
Calgary at Columbus
N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh
Florida at Nashville
Detroit at St. Louis
Tampa Bay at Dallas
Minnesota at Colorado
Edmonton at Vancouver
Chicago at Los Angeles

Sunday's games
Phoenix at Anaheim
San Jose at Vancouver

Friday

Sharks 5, Oilers 4 (SO)

San Jose	1	0	3	0-5
Edmonton	0	1	3	0-4

San Jose won shootout 1-0
First Period—1, San Jose, Marleau 15 (Thornton, Heatley), 5:23.
Second Period—2, Edmonton, Potulny 4, 1:03.

Third Period—3, Edmonton, Penner 14 (Brule), 2:07. 4, Edmonton, Brule 7 (Penner, Gagner), 4:09. 5, San Jose, Marleau 16 (Thornton, Boyle), 5:55. 6, San Jose, Clowe 5 (Marleau, Vlasic), 8:28. 7, Edmonton, Potulny 5 (Smid, Moreau), 14:57. 8, San Jose, Marleau 17 (Thornton), 18:34 (sh).

Shootout—San Jose 1 (Marleau NG, Pavelski G), Edmonton 0 (O'Sullivan NG, Gagner NG, Penner NG).

Shots on Goal—San Jose 9-12-7-3-31. Edmonton 10-7-14-2-33.
Power-play opportunities—San Jose 0 of 3; Edmonton 0 of 4.
Goals—San Jose, Nabokov 15-4-4 (33 shots-29 saves). Edmonton, Deslauriers 3-3-2 (31-27).

A—16,839 (16,839). **T**—2:38.

Ducks 3, Blackhawks 0

Chicago	0	0	0-0
Anaheim	1	2	0-3

First Period—1, Anaheim, Selanne 13 (Perry, Whitner), 13:18 (pp).
Second Period—2, Anaheim, Selanne 14 (Getzlaf, Niedermayer), 7:50 (pp). 3, Anaheim, Boynton 1 (Ryan, Wisniewski), 10:26 (pp).

Shots on Goal—Chicago 7-11-10-28. Anaheim 15-12-34.
Power-play opportunities—Chicago 0 of 4; Anaheim 3 of 5.
Goals—Chicago, Huet 12-5-1 (34 shots-31 saves). Anaheim, Giguere 3-3-2 (28-28).

A—15,068 (17,174). **T**—2:12.

Coyotes 5, Stars 2

Dallas	0	0	2-2
Phoenix	1	3	1-5

First Period—1, Phoenix, Lang 6 (Schlemko, Boedker), 10:01.
Second Period—2, Phoenix, Korpikoski 1 (Upshall, Lombardi), 4:15. 3, Phoenix, Korpikoski 2 (Upshall, Lombardi), 15:45. 4, Phoenix, Aucouin 4 (Lombardi, Upshall), 16:11.

Third Period—5, Phoenix, Michalek 2 (Doan, Fiddler), 1:52. 6, Dallas, Morrow 9 (Wandell, Benn), 5:26 (pp). 7, Dallas, Ribeiro 8, 7:18.

Shots on Goal—Dallas 11-9-12-32. Phoenix 7-12-10-29.
Power-play opportunities—Dallas 1 of 5; Phoenix 0 of 2.
Goals—Dallas, Turco 8-5-5 (19 shots-15 saves), Auld (16:11, second, 10-9). Phoenix, Bryzgalov 13-8-1 (32-30).

A—10,691 (17,125). **T**—2:15.

Blues 3, Predators 1

St. Louis	0	1	2-3
Nashville	0	0	1-1

Second Period—1, St. Louis, Boyes 5 (Johnson, Colaiacovo), 18:35.
Third Period—2, St. Louis, Backes 3 (Oshie, Weaver), 6:23. 3, Nashville, Scatchard 1 (Tootool, Legwand), 13:25. 4, St. Louis, Kariya 5 (Oshie), 15:23.

Shots on Goal—St. Louis 11-18-9-38. Nashville 10-15-2-38.
Power-play opportunities—St. Louis 0 of 3; Nashville 0 of 5.
Goals—St. Louis, Mason 7-7-3 (38 shots-37 saves). Nashville, Rinne 11-5-0 (38-35).

A—13,170 (17,113). **T**—2:26.

Lightning 5, Rangers 1

N.Y. Rangers	0	0	1-1
Tampa Bay	2	2	1-5

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Stamkos 16 (St. Louis, Hedman), 6:54. 2, Tampa Bay, Foster 2 (St. Louis, Lecavalier), 19:24 (pp).

Second Period—3, Tampa Bay, Downie 3 (St. Louis, Stamkos), 8:05 (pp). 4, Tampa Bay, Szczecura 1 (Wright, Walker), 12:25.

Third Period—5, Tampa Bay, Foster 3 (Konopka), 8:24. 6, N.Y. Rangers, Callahan 4 (Anisimov, Auld), 17:53.
Shots on Goal—N.Y. Rangers 9-9-9-27. Tampa Bay 12-10-9-31.

Power-play opportunities—N.Y. Rangers 0 of 2; Tampa Bay 2 of 2.
Goals—N.Y. Rangers, Lundqvist 11-9-1 (22 shots-18 saves), Valiquette (12:25 second, 9-8). Tampa Bay, Smith 4-4-4 (27-26).

A—17,608 (17,758). **T**—2:36.

Maple Leafs 6, Panthers 4

Toronto	1	3	6-4
Florida	2	1	1-4

First Period—1, Florida, Dvorak 3 (Olesz, Reinprecht), 1:11. 2, Florida, Frolik 6 (Weiss, McCabe), 2:04 (pp). 3, Toronto, Kessel 7 (Schenn), 12:17.

Second Period—4, Toronto, Hagman 12 (Ponikarovsky, Grabovski), 2:50. 5, Florida, Kulikov 2 (Horton, Seidenberg), 8:11. 6, Toronto, Ponikarovsky 9 (White, Kaberle), 14:33 (pp).

Third Period—7, Florida, Kulikov 3 (Reinprecht, Seidenberg), 4:07 (pp). 8, Toronto, Kessel 8 (Ponikarovsky), 4:20. 9, Toronto, Hagman 13 (Hanson), 12:26. 10, Toronto, Stajan 7 (Ponikarovsky), 19:56 (en-pp).

Shots on Goal—Toronto 15-9-9-33. Florida 12-7-11-30.
Power-play opportunities—Toronto 2 of 5; Florida 2 of 5.
Goals—Toronto, Gustavsson 5-4-5 (30 shots-26 saves). Florida, Vokoun 7-9-4 (32-27).

A—16,101 (19,250). **T**—2:23.

Thrashers 6, Hurricanes 4

Atlanta	0	1	5-6
Carolina	1	3	0-4

First Period—1, Carolina, Cole 3 (Gleason, Staal), 8:11.
Second Period—2, Carolina, Yelle 2 (Brind'Amour, Gleason), 2:18. 3, Atlanta, Kane 8 (Enstrom, Armstrong), 10:31. 4, Carolina, Samsonov 3 (Cole), 13:45. 5, Carolina, Cullen 5 (Kostopoulos, A.Ward), 18:25 (sh).

Third Period—6, Atlanta, Kozlov 4 (Little, Salmela), 6:21. 7, Atlanta, Kovalchuk 14 (Enstrom, Armstrong), 7:09. 8, Atlanta, Afanogenov 10 (Kovalchuk, Enstrom), 9:00. 9, Atlanta, Peverley 9 (Little, Bogosian), 13:57. 10, Atlanta, Reasoner 1 (White, Kubina), 18:57 (en).

Shots on Goal—Atlanta 9-11-14-34. Carolina 15-12-9-36.

Power-play opportunities—Atlanta 0 of 2; Carolina 0 of 5.

Goals—Atlanta, Pavlec 8-5-3 (36 shots-32 saves). Carolina, Legace 2-4-2 (33-28).

A—14,463 (18,680). **T**—2:37.

Flames 3, Red Wings 0

Calgary	2	0	1-3
Detroit	0	0	0-0

First Period—1, Calgary, Lundmark 1 (Jokinen, Iginla), 2:28. 2, Calgary, Dawes 6 (Moss), 18:29.

Third Period—3, Calgary, Jokinen 4 (Lundmark, Iginla), 2:5.

Shots on Goal—Calgary 6-5-6-17. Detroit 15-17-8-40.
Power-play opportunities—Calgary 0 of 2; Detroit 0 of 6.
Goals—Calgary, Kiprusoff 14-5-3 (40 shots-40 saves). Detroit, Osgood 6-5-3 (17-14).

A—20,066 (20,066). **T**—2:22.

Islanders 3, Penguins 2

Pittsburgh	1	1	0-2
N.Y. Islanders	1	0	2-3

First Period—1, N.Y. Islanders, Bailey 7 (Streit, Meyer), 9:05. 2, Pittsburgh, Malkin 7 (Duchene, Anderson), 17:22.

Second Period—3, Pittsburgh, Cooke 5 (Staal, Gonchar), 7:12.
Third Period—4, N.Y. Islanders, Bergenheim 4 (Nielsen, Hunter), 1:24. 5, N.Y. Islanders, Tavares 10 (Meyer, Okposo), 13:48.

Shots on Goal—Pittsburgh 7-9-5-21. N.Y. Islanders 9-10-18-37.
Power-play opportunities—Pittsburgh 0 of 5; N.Y. Islanders 0 of 3.
Goals—Pittsburgh, B.Johnson 3-2-0 (37 shots-34 saves). N.Y. Islanders, Rolson 8-2-5 (21-19).

A—15,262 (16,234). **T**—2:27.

Wild 5, Avalanche 3

Colorado	1	2	0-3
Minnesota	1	2	2-5

First Period—1, Colorado, Quincey 3 (Duchene, Anderson), 5:58. 2, Minnesota, Nolan 7 (Zanon), 9:28.

Second Period—3, Minnesota, Kobasew 2 (Boogaard), 2:48. 4, Colorado, Stastny 6 (Stewart, Liles), 4:41 (pp). 5, Minnesota, Kobasew 3 (Brunette, Koivu), 6:00 (pp). 6, Colorado, Stewart 2 (Wolski), 17:36.

Third Period—7, Minnesota, Brunette 9 (Koivu, Zidlicky), 11:02 (pp). 8, Minnesota, Kobasew 4 (Koivu, Zanon), 19:42 (en).

Shots on Goal—Colorado 11-15-8-34. Minnesota 9-11-12-32.
Power-play opportunities—Colorado 1 of 4; Minnesota 2 of 4.
Goals—Colorado, Anderson 13-7-4 (31 shots-27 saves). Minnesota, Backstrom 9-9-3 (34-31).

A—18,365 (18,064). **T**—2:26.

Sabres 4, Flyers 2

Buffalo	1	1	2-4
Philadelphia	2	0	0-2

First Period—1, Buffalo, Stafford 7 (Connolly, Lydman), 8:19. 2, Philadelphia, Richards 11 (van Riemsdyk, Carter), 19:26. 3, Philadelphia, Coburn 4 (Asham, Pyrala), 19:56.

Second Period—4, Buffalo, Gaustad 6 (Connolly, Butler), 6:09 (pp).

Third Period—5, Buffalo, Connolly 5 (MacArthur, Myers), 5:27. 6, Buffalo, Connolly 6 (Stafford, Montador), 10:52.

Shots on Goal—Buffalo 6-10-25. Philadelphia 10-8-15-33.
Power-play opportunities—Buffalo 1 of 3; Philadelphia 0 of 5.
Goals

College basketball roundup

Purdue shows it can win with 'D'

The Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — E'Twaun Moore scored 15 points and Robbie Hummel had 11 points and 11 rebounds, leading No. 6 Purdue's 64-38 rout of Central Michigan on Saturday.

It certainly wasn't the kind of performance fans of the Boiler-makers (5-0) expected after beating Tennessee earlier this week, though. Purdue's offense looked stale after a four-day layoff, shooting just 40.9 percent from the field in the first half and 31.2 percent for the game from three-point range.

Purdue still brought enough defensive tenacity to handle Central Michigan. The Chippewas went four long stretches without a basket — spans consuming 6 minutes, 26 seconds, 8:10, 5:17 and 6:41. They shot just 28 percent from the field.

That combination was too much for the Chippewas.

Finis Craddock had eight points for Central Michigan (2-4), the Mid-American Conference West Division co-champ last season and the preseason pick to repeat.

Purdue used a 9-0 run to build an 18-9 lead, then took control late in the half by forcing four straight turnovers and outscoring the Chippewas 11-0 over the last 5:53 to make it 29-14.

Things got no better in the second half for the Chippewas after closing to 29-17 with 17:58 to play. Purdue pushed the lead to 36-20, then went on a 10-0 run later in the half and didn't let Central Michigan get closer than 19 thereafter.

No. 18 Georgetown 97, Lafayette 64: At Washington, D.C., Jason Clark scored 19 points and

freshman Hollis Thompson contributed 16 to Georgetown's rout.

Chris Wright added 14 for the Hoyas (4-0), who had six players score in double figures. Greg Monroe had 13 points, nine rebounds and six assists, Austin Freeman scored 12 and Julian Vaughn finished with 11 points. Clark added six rebounds and five assists.

Thompson, who had just one basket through Georgetown's first three games, hit all six shots he attempted, including four three-pointers.

The Leopards (4-2) were led by Jared Mintz with 16 points. Jim Mower had 12.

In Friday games:

No. 7 Duke 68, No. 13 Connecticut 59: Duke and coach Mike Krzyzewski won another NIT Season Tip-Off, beating Connecticut and coach Jim Calhoun.

The Hall of Fame coaches set a record for career victories in a game; Krzyzewski has 839, fourth on the career list, and Calhoun 809, good for sixth place.

Duke (6-0) dominated the Huskies (4-1) in every category in extending its winning streak in the tournament to 12 games with its third straight title (2000, 2005) and fourth overall (1985).

The victory snapped Connecticut's four-game winning streak in the series with the last two victories coming in Final Fours — the 1999 national championship game and the 2004 semifinals.

Tournament MVP Jon Scheyer had 19 points to lead Duke, which has won five straight and 12 of 13 at Madison Square Garden, and 22 straight in November.

Nolan Smith had 16 points and Lance Thomas added 11 points and 11 rebounds for Duke.

No. 1 Kansas 112, Tennessee Tech 75: Tyshawn Taylor scored 18 points and Cole Aldrich had 14 points and 10 rebounds as host Kansas (5-0) extended the nation's longest home winning streak to 45 games. Kansas built a 22-point halftime lead and shot 61 percent. Xavier Henry had 15 points and Sherron Collins 12.

Florida 77, No. 2 Michigan State 74: At Atlantic City, N.J., Erving Walker hit a go-ahead three-pointer with 1:56 left and Florida hung on to advance to the championship game of the Legends Classic. Walker finished with 12 points for the Gators (5-0).

Durrell Summers missed two three-point attempts in the final minute as the Spartans (4-1) missed a chance to give coach Tom Izzo a record 341 victories at the school. Izzo is tied with his mentor, Jud Heathcote.

No. 8 West Virginia 73, Texas A&M 66: At Anaheim, Calif., Da'Sean Butler scored 15 of his 17 points in the second half, and also had five rebounds and five assists as the Mountaineers (4-0) advanced to Sunday's tournament final. Reserve Devin Ebanks scored 14 points and grabbed nine rebounds, and Darryl Bryant chipped in with 12 points.

B.J. Holmes and Donald Sloan scored 18 points apiece for the Aggies (5-1).

No. 9 Tennessee 86, College of Charleston 69: Scotty Hopson scored 21 points and Tyler Smith 18 for host Tennessee. Charleston (1-3) stayed close by going 10-of-17 from three-point range, but Tennessee (5-1) put it away on a 9-0 run for a 76-61 lead with 6 minutes left.

Donovan Monroe led Charleston with 16 points.

No. 10 Syracuse 85, Columbia 60: Wes Johnson scored 26 points as host Syracuse gave coach Jim Boeheim his 805th victory, moving him past Eddie Sutton into seventh on the major college list.

Facing its second straight Ivy League opponent, Syracuse (6-0) struggled to pull away from the Lions (2-2) in the first half before dominating the second.

Noruwa Agho scored 22 points for Columbia.

No. 12 Butler 69, UCLA 67: At Anaheim, Calif., Gordon Hayward made two free throws with 0.6 seconds to play as Butler won a consolation game in the 76 Classic.

Shelvin Mack scored a season-high 21 points for the Bulldogs (4-1). Hayward finished with 11 points and eight rebounds.

Nicola Dragovic had 14 points and six rebounds for the Bruins (2-3), who had three players foul out. Malcolm Lee added 11 points and four assists.

UCLA, which trailed by nine points with 9:58 remaining, tied it at 67 on Jerime Anderson's three-point shot with 8.6 seconds left.

On the ensuing possession, Hayward drove the lane and drew a foul from Michael Roll.

After Hayward made both free throws, he intercepted Anderson's long inbound pass intended for Dragovic as time expired.

Marquette 79, No. 15 Michigan 65: At Orlando, Fla., Lazar Hayward scored 22 points and Jimmy Butler 17 as Marquette (6-0) advanced to the Old Spice Classic title game. Darius Johnson-Odom added 14 points.

Michigan (3-1) got 22 points from Manny Harris.

No. 19 Clemson 87, Long

Beach State 79: At Anaheim, Calif., Tanner Smith scored 17 points and Demontez Stitt had 16 points and five assists as Clemson (5-1) won a consolation game in the 76 Classic. Andre Young had 13 points and Trevor Booker 12 points and seven rebounds for the Tigers, who shot 57.6 percent.

T.J. Robinson had 25 points and 15 rebounds for the 49ers (3-3).

Utah 60, No. 20 Illinois 58: At Las Vegas, Shawn Glover banked home a runner in the lane at the buzzer, completing Utah's rally from a 16-point halftime deficit to a berth in the title game of the Las Vegas Invitational. Jay Watkins passed to Glover after rebounding a miss by Demetri McCamey with 4 seconds left.

McCamey led Illinois with 19 points and seven rebounds and Mike Tisdale added 18 points.

Luka Drca scored 14 of his 16 points during Utah's rally.

Portland 61, No. 22 Minnesota 56: At Anaheim, Calif., T.J. Campbell scored 23 points to lead Portland into the championship game of the 76 Classic.

Robin Smeulders added 13 points and Nik Raivio grabbed a season-best 11 rebounds for the Pilots (5-0).

Al Nolen scored 13 points for the Golden Gophers (3-1).

Northwestern 72, No. 23 Notre Dame 58: At Chicago, John Shurna scored 25 points and freshman Alex Marcotullio made two key three-pointers in the second half as Northwestern (4-1) advanced to the final of the Chicago Invitational Challenge.

Luke Harangody led Notre Dame (5-1) with 21 points.

Okinawa teams learn on the fly

By DAVE ORNAUER

Stars and Stripes

TAI TAM, Hong Kong — Be they novice or experienced, all four Okinawa teams took a little something home from last week's 40th Hong Kong International School Holiday Basketball Tournament.

Kadena's and Kubasaki's boys and girls teams went up against some of the best American and international teams East Asia has to offer, getting solid competition from teams they rarely see and building up their teams in the early part of the season, coaches said.

"It's great. Every year, we look forward to coming here," coach Robert Bliss said. His Kadena boys, who got 24 points from tournament MVP Taiyo Robertson, beat host Hong Kong International 81-65 in Saturday's final, leading by as many as 25 points in the second half.

Faith Academy, behind MVP Kelly Hardeman, won the girls title for the second straight year, holding off a late charge to beat

Heep Yunn of Hong Kong 64-61.

Programs such as Hong Kong, 10-time Far East boys champion Faith Academy and Southeast Asian power Singapore American provided the Panthers "good, quality opposition," Bliss said.

"The Okinawa teams are great, but it seems we don't get many games against top teams. We like this tournament for a lot of reasons."

One of them, said coach Jon Fick of fifth-place Kubasaki, is how the tournament provides "a big measuring stick to see where we are. A lot of teams here are in midseason, whereas we're just starting out."

Kubasaki lost to defending Far East Class AA champion St. Mary's 90-73 on Friday, then won a rematch 75-70 to take fifth place.

Kubasaki gets different looks that help Fick and his boys prepare for the regular season and the Far East tournament in February at Yokota High School, Fick said. "You see a variety of styles that help prepare you," he said.

While Kadena's and Kubasaki's boys enjoyed relative success, the girls teams, each young and rebuilding, struggled a bit while using the tournament as a sort of baptism of fire, coaches said.

"The girls learned about some of their roles and how to prevent mistakes in preparing for Far East," Dwayne Pigge of Kadena said. "This tournament is a great opportunity, a great fine-tuning. We had a rough start, but I can see the progress and improvement."

His Panthers lost a heart-breaker Saturday 69-67 to Kubasaki, which boosted the Dragons into the fifth-place game and left Kadena out of the running for a placement trophy for the first time since 2001. Dragons first-year coach Stephanie Davis said her charges made progress similar to Kadena's girls.

"They started to learn how to gel, about chemistry, how to talk on the court, about themselves and how they fit in the team dynamic," Davis said. Her Dragons lost the fifth-place game 68-45 to Hong Kong.

High school scoreboard

Basketball

40th Hong Kong International School Holiday Basketball Tournament

At Tai Tam, Hong Kong

Boys single-elimination playoffs

Saturday's games
Kadena 94, Taipei American 52
Kubasaki 92, Seoul Foreign 51
Hong Kong International 79, Singapore American 75, OT

St. Mary's 64, Faith Academy 55
Singapore American 72, Taipei American 68

Kubasaki 75, St. Mary's 70
Kadena 81, Hong Kong International 65

Awards
Most Valuable Player—Taiyo Robertson, Kadena

All-Tournament team—Taiyo Robertson, Jason Sumpter, Kadena; Thomas Strandemo, Adam Xu, Hong Kong International; Willis Wan, Taipei American; Marc Wilson, Singapore American; John McCleene Jr., Faith Academy; Gal Tesler, Seoul Foreign; Kai Yamaguchi, Kubasaki; Toni Taniguchi, St. Mary's International.

Saturday's summaries
Kadena 94, Taipei American 52

Taipei 16 13 18 5-52
Kadena 28 18 21 27-94

Scoring—Kadena, Jeremy Howell 18, Jason Sumpter 17, Taiyo Robertson 13, L.J. Hubbard 10, Skylar Warren 10.

Kubasaki 92, Seoul Foreign 51

SFS 13 7 16 15-51
Kubasaki 28 22 21 21-92

Scoring—Kubasaki, Kai Yamaguchi 17, Kentrell Key 16, Gary Whitaker 11, Dionte Watie 11, Seoul Foreign 11, Tesler 10.

Kubasaki 75, St. Mary's International 70

St. Mary's 18 17 16 19-70
Kubasaki 17 15 28 15-75

Scoring—Kubasaki, Kai Yamaguchi 16, Kentrell Key 14, Dionte Watie 12, St. Mary's International, Toni Taniguchi 27, Yuta Kobayashi 13, Shumsuke Kuriyama 11.

Kadena 81, Hong Kong International 65

Hong Kong 12 17 12 24-65

Kadena 25 21 17 18-81

Scoring—Kadena, Taiyo Robertson 24 (4 three-point goals), Kevin Paranal 19 (10 first quarter), Jason Sumpter 14; Hong Kong International, Zach Carlson 17, Adam Xu 14 (second half), Thomas Strandemo 10 (7 second quarter).

Girls single-elimination playoffs
Saturday's games

Heep Yunn 53, Singapore American 49
Hong Kong International 63, Seoul Foreign 15

Faith Academy 72, Taipei American 59
Kubasaki 69, Kadena 67

Singapore American 63, Taipei American 47

Hong Kong International 68, Kubasaki 45

Faith Academy 64, Heep Yunn 61

Awards
Most Valuable Player—Kelly Hardeman, Faith Academy.

All-Tournament team—Sarah Parshall, Kelly Hardeman, Faith Academy; Rachel Li, Pinky Sze, Heep Yunn; Madeline Strandemo, Hong Kong International; Michelle Bywater, Singapore American; Gabby Falco, Kubasaki; Natalia Jennings, Seoul Foreign; Jessica Huang, Taipei American; Maria Vaughan, Kadena.

Saturday's summaries
Kubasaki 69, Kadena 67

Kubasaki 15 24 19 11-69
Kadena 28 11 2 26-67

Scoring—Kubasaki, Gabby Falco 44 (27 first half); Kadena, Anissa Fitz 30 (16 fourth quarter), Desirae Seals 15 (first quarter).

Noteworthy—Christelle Abello hit two foul shots with 3 seconds left to win.

Hong Kong International 68, Kubasaki 45

Kubasaki 10 4 14 17-45
Hong Kong 17 26 20 5-68

Scoring—Hong Kong International, Madeline Strandemo 34 (19 first half), Stefanie Young 13; Kubasaki, Gabby Falco 20 (10 third quarter), Athena Wilbon 10.

SPORTS



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NFL WEEK 12: PROTECTING THE QUARTERBACKS

RISKY BUSINESS



TONY DING/AP

Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford gets tossed to the turf by Packers defensive tackle Johnny Jolly during the second quarter of Thursday's game.

By BARRY WILNER
The Associated Press

Watching injured Detroit Lions rookie Matthew Stafford trying to do his job on Thanksgiving Day against Green Bay was painful. Even though it's his left, non-throwing shoulder that is bothering the top overall draft pick, his discomfort each time he threw a pass was evident.

It also was strong evidence that, for all those who have decried the NFL's efforts to safeguard quarterbacks as being too protective, the glamour position remains highly dangerous for its practitioners.

We're not only talking about inexperienced players such as Stafford, but last season's two Super Bowl QBs, Pittsburgh's Ben Roethlisberger and Arizona's Kurt Warner. Plus, the St. Louis Rams' Marc Bulger, the Dallas Cowboys' Tony Romo, and even Roeth-

Despite rules to help protect QBs, more and more are being sidelined by injuries



CHARLIE RIEDEL/AP

Steelers QB Ben Roethlisberger is down and out after being sacked by Chiefs defensive end Andy Studebaker during overtime of last weekend's game.

lisberger's backup, Charlie Batch. All were dinged, or worse, last weekend.

Although Romo rebounded from a sore back to throw for 309 yards in Thursday's victory over Oakland, he was ineffective last Sunday in a 7-6 triumph over Washington because he was playing hurt.

Bulger sustained several injuries, including a broken leg that might sideline him the rest of the way. Big Ben and Warner each suffered concussions, although both expect to play Sunday.

Batch is done for 2009 because of a broken wrist, even though he appeared for only a handful of plays.

Other starting QBs to be sidelined by injury at various points this season are Miami's Chad Pennington (right shoulder), gone for the duration; Buffalo's Trent Edwards (concussion); the Denver Broncos' Kyle Orton (ankle);

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